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12th ,,	† EGYPT	7912		
19th ,,	SALSETTE	6000	† MALWA	10863
22nd ,,	ARCADIA	7000		
26th ,,	INDIA	791		
2nd April.	MACEDONIA	10812		
9th ,,	ARABIA	7903		
16th ,,	SALSETTE	6000	MONGOLIA	9105
23rd ,,	MANTUA	10885		
30th ,,	SALSETTE	6000	MARMORA	10509
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SALAZIE	4,147		7th July ,,
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OLYMPIA	5424	A. Tate	26th ,,
CHRONOS	6760	C.J. Cotsens, R.N.R.	12th April ,,
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SIXTH DAY.

1st Race	Danseuse	2nd	
2nd ,,	Asfundier	Won 4 to 1	
3rd ,,	Lady Violet		
(Went with Master Theo)		Won 2½ to 1	
4th ,,	Urgent	,, 15 to 1	
5th ,,	Castalia	2nd	
6th ,,	Rajput	Won 5 to 1	
(Amendment on R. C.)			

FOURTH DAY.

1st Race	Danseuse	Won 6	to 4 on
2nd ,,	Asfundier	,, 4	to 1
(Given as upset)			
3rd ,,	Soult Line	,, 5	to 4 on
4th ,,	Sialkote	,, 1½	to 1
5th ,,	Refresher	,, 12	to 1
(Confirmed on R. C.)			
6th ,,	Tachreet	2nd	
7th ,,	Forfeit	Won 2½	to 1

FIFTH DAY.

1st Race	Evening Herald	Won 3	to 1
2nd ,,	Hishan	Out.	
3rd ,,	Oakton	Won 3	to 1
4th ,,	Tachreet	3rd	
5th ,,	Lumination	Won 2	to 1
(Given as upset.)			
6th ,,	Vedas	Won 3½	to 1

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TIMBER SLEEPERS.

TENDERS are invited for the SUPPLY of 1,14,000 DEODAR SLEEPERS, for the use of North-Western Railway Construction Department, delivery to begin by 1st May, 1910, and to be completed by 30th June, 1910.

The Deodar Sleepers should be nine feet six inches long, ten inches wide and 5 inches deep.

Tenders may be submitted for the whole or any portion of the quantity required.

The Deoda Sleepers will be inspected and passed at any Railway Station on the N.-W. Railway, and prices quoted must include delivery into trucks at these stations after having been passed by an Engineer Officer of the N.-W. Railway Station at which the Sleepers are to be delivered and the quantities to be delivered at each station, should be definitely stated in the Tender.

Tenders should be returned filled in, to the Manager, NORTH-WESTERN STATE RAILWAY at LAHORE, by noon, on 15th March, 1910. The cover should be endorsed on the outside with the sender's name and address and should be superscribed in red ink "Tenders for Sleepers required by the North-Western Railway Construction Department." Unless so superscribed they are liable to be returned without consideration.

Forms of Tender and specifications can be had from the Chief Storekeeper, North-Western Railway, Lahore, on payment of a fee of Rs. 100 which will be refunded on the order of the Railway Board to unsuccessful Tenderers as soon as can be arranged after disposal of the Tenders, provided a bona fide Tender is submitted, while to successful Tenderers the same will be refunded as soon as the contract agreement have been duly executed by them.

No earnest money or security is required to be sent with the Tenders.

The Manager is not bound to accept the lowest or any Tender and the whole or any part of a Tender may be accepted or rejected.

H. P. BURT,
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The specifications, terms and conditons may be obtained at the Office of the Chief Engineer, on payment of Re. 1 per set. Each Tender must be accompained by a receipted Municipal Chalan for Re. 1,000 and must be superscribed "Stone Ballast Supply."

No Tender will be considered unless strictly in accordance with the terms and conditions.

The successful Tenderer will be required to deposit a further sum of Rs. 4,000 to complete the required security.

The Municipal Committee does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any Tender, or to assign reasons for the rejection of any Tender.

By Order,
R. O. WALES,
Secretary,
Rangoon Municipality.

Rangoon, 9th February, 1910.

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Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view three days before the sale.

SALE ON FRIDAY, 25TH FEBRUARY.

On FRIDAY the 25 Inst. at 2 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the Rugby House, Nepean Sea Road, Cumballa Hill (opposite Dr. Choksey's), the very valuable and artistic design teakwood and blackwood household furniture by Roberts, Wimbridge, Breslaur, Devji Canji, etc., also Rangoon-made furniture, such as screw telescopic dining table and chairs, mirrored large sideboard and dinner waggon, silk tapestry lined suite of sofas and chairs, Chesterfield sofa, marble and tiled top centr tables and teapoys, black wood carved and English furniture, side and corner cabinets, English and wooden bedsteads, single and double almiras, clothes and hanging presses, wardrobes, marble-topped dining and washband tables, Sewel American safe, partition screens, veranda seats, cheval glass, brass stand ing lamps, zeonda cupboards, large china bath tubs, book cases, windproof lamps, cottage piano by Rose and Co., real Chubb's large size safe, tower clock, Hink's and Ditmer's table, hanging, hall and wall lamps, cane furnitare, large hydrabad carpets, aluminium utensils, one handsome strong glass fronted miniature office brougham by "Stevens," in very good condition, sets of single harness, etc., etc., the property of Paul Masotti, Esq.

Catalogues are published and the property is on view.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 19th instant, at 3-30 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece goods, etc.

One box containing 14 Volumes of The New Popular Encyclopedia bound in Roxburgh.

AT 2 P. M. (S. T.)

1 second-hand rubber-tyred palanquin office shigram, in good order.
1 second-hand glass-fronted miniature office brougham, in good order.
1 handsome strong rubber-tyred victoria, in very good order.
1 grey Arab, quiet in harness.
1 bay pony, quiet in harness and saddle.

BONA FIDE SALE.

ON SUNDAY, the 27th instant, at 2 p.m. (S. T.), Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the Ridge Westropp House, Malabar Hill, the valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood plain and carved French polished household furniture, by Benjamin, consisting of drawing-room suite of sofas and chairs, large artistic made cabinets, also a few pieces of English-made furniture, also large pier glass in guilt frame, marble top table, one large swing, one glass show case with staff birds, rich curtains, 4 and 8 lights gas chandeliers, a collection of valuable ornaments, Madras cane matting, a large Ahmedabad-made partition screen, one handsome strong mail-phaeton by "Press," one handsome landau by Press, one American car, one 15 H. P. 4 cylinder, 5 seated magneto and battery ignition coventry Humber motor car, nearly new, one large buffalee, giving 18 seers of milk daily, etc., etc., the property of Toolsidas Lalookhoy Mody, Esq.

Catalogues will be published and the property on view 4 days before the sale.

BENNETT & Co.

Bombay, 18th February, 1910.

SALES BY AUCTION.

SORABJEE COWASJEE & CO.,
AUCTIONEERS AND COMMISSION AGENTS,
21 MEADOWS STREET, FORT, BOMBAY.

A SPLENDID OPPORTUNITY TO CAPITALISTS for investment in Building.

In the High Court of Judicature at Bombay
O. C. C. J.
Suit No. 459 of 1900
Damodardas Vendravendas and others...Plaintiffs
Vs.
Davidas Vendravendas and others...Defendants.

Under instructions from Vishnu Krishna Bhatwandaker, Esq., the Receiver appointed in the above suit and pursuant to the directions contained in an order made in the above suit on the 23rd day of August, 1909.

Messrs. SORABJEE COWASJEE & Co., Auctioneers, will put up for sale by Public Auction, on the premises the undermentioned immovable property TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 19th day of February, 1910, at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.).

PARTICULARS OF PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of Pension and Tax land or ground, containing by admeasurement 10600 square yards or thereabouts, together with all messuages, tenement or buildings i.e., one large Bungalow and another small one, outhouses, servants' quarters stables and well standing thereon, situate, lying and being at Warden Road, Mahaluxmi Temple Lane, near Mahaluxmi Tank, outside the Fort of Bombay, and it is known by the name of Horbery cart in the registration sub-district of Bombay, and assessed by the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 3, 4, and 7098 and

DAILY MARKET REPORT.

LONDON, February 16.

Consols 2 1/2 per cent. ... ...83 1-16+1-16
Exchange on London at Paris Fcs ...25·16—0 1/2
Rentes 3 per cent. ... ...9? unchgd
Berlin Cheques on London ...20·43—0 1
Bar Silver Spot... ... ...23 15-16—3-16
Do. 2 months hence. ... ...24 unchgd
Closing Tone of Silver—Quiet but steady.
Rupee Paper 3 1/2 per cent. ... 62 7/8 unchgd
Exchange on India 30 days' sight (Bank buying rate). ... ... 1-3-15 unchgd.
Discount Bank of England Rate 3 per cent. since 10th February.
3 1/2 per cent. Indian Stock (Sterling Loans) ... ...86 9/16+1/16
Discount Bank Bills 3 months' sight... 2 3/16—1-16
Do. Indian Bank Bills 6 months' sight 2 3/4 unchgd
Do. Fine Trade Bills 3 months... 2 5/8 unchgd
Do. Fine Trade Bills 6 months... 3 unchgd
Bar Gold (per oz.) ... ... 77·9 unchgd
Interest day to-day loans ... ... 1 1-8 unchgd
Do. of day market loans ... 1 3-8 unchgd

MANCHESTER, February 16.

COTTON.

	Bales.
Total Day's Sales at Liverpool ...	10,000
Do Day's Sales on Spot and for Exp	.....
Do. Day's Sales of East Indian ...	.....
Do. Day's Imports... ...	.....

Tone of Liverpool Cotton Spot. Fair demand, steady.
Do. of Liverpool Cotton Futures ... Easier.
Do. of Liverpool Cotton East Indian... Quiet.
Tone of Manchester Market... ... Quiet.
Mid-Americans ... ... 6-98—2
Egyptian F. G. F. ... ...15 unchgd

Cotton Delivery	F.-M.	M.-A.	A.-M.	M.-J.	J.-J.
Mid Uplands	7·79	7·78	7·75	7·72	7·68
G. O. C.	—8	—8	—9	—9	—9

Liverpool	J.-A.	A.-S.	S.-O.	O.-N.	J.-F.
	7·63	7·32	6·92	6·78	6·62
	—9	—8	—7	—3	—7

Sales increased yesterday by 8,000 bales.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

New York, February 16.

Day's Receipts at all U. S. Ports ...	24,000
Do. Last year	25,000
Do. Exports to Great Britain ...	3,000
Do. Exports to Continent	19,000

Futures at New York ..... Mar. 14·59—22 } Declined owing to reported slack spot demand and to bear pressure and liquidation.
Do. at New York ..... May 14·59—22 }

Spot Cotton at New York ...	14·95—20
Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality)	8 3/4 unchgd
Demand Bills	4·86 1/4 +1/4
Silver Commercial Bars ...	51 7/8—1-8
Spot Cotton at New Orleans ...	14·15/16—1/8
Tone of Spot Cotton	Quiet.
Futures at New Orleans ...	March 14·53—31
Do. at New Orleans ...	May 14·75—31

LINSEED,

LONDON, February 16.

Linseed Argentine (La Plata) 56 1/2
" " months, Feb.-March.
" " Ports, Hamburg.
" " Buyers, sellers, &c. Value.

WHEAT.

LONDON, February 16.

SOUTH AMERICAN.

Rosario Santa Fe, 62 lbs ... 38 7/8
Months—Jan-Feb.
Buyers, etc.—Sellers.
Tone—Quet but steady.
Barletta Russo—62 1/2 lbs 37 3/4
Do. Months—Feb.-Mar.
Do. Buyers, etc.—Value.
Tone—Steady.

AUSTRALIAN.

South Australian 39 1-4
Do. Months—Jan.-Feb.
Do. Buyers, etc.—Done.
Tone—Steady.
Linseed—Bombay, per 416 lbs. ex-ship... 58 5/8
Do. Months—March-April.
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp.
Do. Whether Buyers or Sellers, etc.—Done.
Tone—Firmer.
Rapeseed—Brown Cawnpore ... 40 3/4
Do. Months—Apr.-May.
Do. Name of Ports—Antwerp.
Do. Whether Buyers or Sellers etc.—Value.
Tone—Dull.
Wheat Choice White Karachi, per 492lbs C.I.F. 41
Do. Months—Mar.-April.
Do. Name of Ports—Hull.
Do. Whether Buyers, etc.,—Sellers.
Tone—
Wheat F. A. Q. Red Karachi, per 492 lbs C.I.F. 40 1/2
Do. Months—Feb.-March.
Do. Name of Ports—London.
Do. Whether Buyers, or Sellers, etc.—Buyers.
Tone—Quiet but steady.

RUBBER.

Para Rubber ... ... 8-7 1/2 Value.

SUGAR.

Sugar—16 3 3/4—May-August—Sellers.
Tone—Firm.

ARRIVALS.

"Wooda" and "Oceanien".

PORT SAID, February 16.

The P. and O. s. s. "Himalaya" has shipped £150,000 of gold for Bombay.

BOMBAY, February 17.

COUNCIL BILLS.

The following are the particulars of the allotment
Amount offered Rs. 100,00,000.

Rs. 40,50,000 were allotted to Calcutta
" 1,00,000 " to Bombay
" 10,50,000 " to Madras

Total Rs. 52,00,000 at 1s 4 1-16d.

Tenderers at the above rate received 20 per cent. above that rate in full.
Average rate of allotment, Calcutta and Bombay, 16·06.

Telegraphic Transfers as under:
Rs. 26,30,000 were allotted to Calcutta.
" 18,80,000 " to Bombay.
" 5,00,000 " to Madras.
Total Rs. 48,90,000 at 1s. 4 3-32d.

Tenderers at the above rate received 20 per cent. above that rate in full.
Average rate of allotment, Calcutta and Bombay, 16·09.
Total amount of Council Bills sold during the week ending Tuesday evening, including last public sale, is reported Rs. 80,50,000.
Next week's allotment, is Rs. 1,00,00,000.

EXCHANGE.

The opening tone of the market remained firm at 1s. 4 1-16d. for T. T. and Demand and 3 months' sight Credits at 1s. 4 1-4d.

We quote:—
T. T. on London ... ... 1s. 4 1/16d.
Demand do. ... ... 1s. 4 1-16d.
3 m/s credits on London 1s. 4 7/32d. to 1s. 4 1-4d.
Demand Marks 135 3/4
Demand Francs 168 1/2
3 m/s " 170 1/2
3 m/s Marks 138 3/4
30 d/s. Hongkong 129 1/2
" Shanghai 172 3/4
" Japan 149 3/4

GOVERNMENT PAPER.

Government Paper market is firm and the rate has improved to 93-13 at which rate there were buyers at the close.

BULLION.

Bar Silver in London was 1-16 down at 23 15-16 for ready and New York 1-8 down at 51 7-8.

Local Gold market was quiet but steady. Both up-country and local demand were moderate and prices fluctuated a little. Sovereign were in demand as usual and prices remain unchanged.

London market in silver was quiet but steady and locally it opened at Rs. 63-10 with a quieter tone on account of speculators selling freely and prices at the close declined to Rs. 62-8-0. For ready there was a good demand as usual and business of 125 to 150, slabs, was done during the day.

GOLD.

	Rs. a. p
97 touch Fakirsett...	23 8 0
97 touch	23 1 0
National Bank	24 0 3
Chartered Bank	23 15 9
Sovereigns Shield	15 3 3
Do Dragon	15 0 3
Australian	24 0 0

SILVER.

	Rs. a. p.
17 1/2 Penny	63 11 0
17 Penny ready	63 10 0
Local per tola	0 9 9
First Settlement	63 8 0
Second "	63 12 0

SEEDS AND WHEAT.

Linseed:—Firm. London price being 3-8 high there was good demand in the local market and price advanced by one anna.
Rapeseed:—Quiet but steady. London price was 6d. down. Demand moderate and prices unchanged.
Wheat:—Quiet but steady. London price was 6d. up. Demand moderate and local rates firm.
Peppyseed:—Quiet. Prices unaltered.
Mowraseed:—Quiet. Demand being less prices in the local markes declined by one anna.
Castorseed: } Demand for ready and forward.
Gingellyseed: } Moderate prices are maintained
Cottonseed: } and tone of the market firm.

Description,	Rate.
Linseed, Bold ...	...Rs. 9 15
Linseed, Small ...	... " 9 12

RAPESEED—

Brown Cawnpore ...	...Rs. 6 7
Yellow do. ...	... " 7 0
Do. Gujarat ...	... " 7 4
Poppyseed ...	... " 9 10
Castorseed ...	... " 33 to 34
Mowrasseed... ...	... " 6 8
Maize	... " 32 to 33
Groundnuts ...	... " 38 to 42
Mustardseed ...	... " 81 to 86
Gingellyseed ...	... " 35 to 45
Khandesh Howri ...	} " 43 to 44
Gulburga do. ...	
Kalbur do. ...	
Itarsi do. ...	
White Gin, Bold 95/15	} " 40 to 44
Do. do do 85/15	
Do. do. do. 75/85...	
Do. Mixed 50/50 ...	} " 38 to 39
Do. Gin, Small 50/50...	
Do. do. 85/15...	
Gin, Black Beaver ...	} " 37 to 38
Do. do. Gadag ...	
Gin Red Khandwa ...	} " 41 to 42 8
Do. Meggi ...	
Do. Yellow Hingangbat	} " 47 to 50 8
Do. do. Secunderabad	
Do. do. Gujarat	
Do. Black Kutni	} " 36 to 37
Do. Ahmedabad...	

WHEAT—

Choice Pissi ...	} " 38 to 42
Club No. 1 ...	
Delhi 70/30 ...	
Hard Red... ...	... " 33 to 36
Cottonseed ...	... " 23 8 to 24 8

Summary of Daily Arrivals of Wheat and Seed by rail and sea during the 24 hours ending at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 16th February:—

Wheat	4,131 cwts
Linseed	6,949 "
Rape, Rai and Mustardseed ...	3,413 "
Gingellyseed	18,905 "
Groundnuts	5,647 "
Castorseed	6,052 "
Rice	2,997 "
Myrabollams	5,299 "
Cottonseed...	38,526 "
Mowrasseed...	131 "
Gram	2,855 "
Jowar	2,147 "
Maize	852 "

SPINNINGS.

SHARES: Business in Petit in the morning for March was done at Rs. 3,330 and Rs. 3,345 for April and the whole day the market was firm with rates unchanged.

BANKS.

Bombay	1,455
India	64 1-2
Indian Specie	53 1/2
People's Bank of India... ...	33 1-2 X. D.

MILLS.

Khatao	720
Crescent...	87 1/2
David	390
Colaba Land	1,115
Kohinoor	685
Manookji Petit	3,325
New Great Eastern	175
Crescent	87 1/2
Standard	1,095
Framji Petit	1,720
Swan Mill...	245

PRESSES.

Indian Cotton	139
New Bezar	535
New Mofussil	780
Volkart's United	640

MISCELLANEOUS.

B. E. S. and T. Co. Ord. ...	24
Bombay E. S. T. C Pref. ...	154 X. D.
Bombay Steam Navigation Ord	315 C. D.
Central India Mining	335
Colaba Land & Mill	1,112 1-2
Treacher & Co	580

RAILWAYS.

Ahmedabad-Dholka	119
Ahmedabad-Prantej	615
Amritsar-Patti	123
Tapu-Valley	425

COTTON.

Liverpool in the morning was 2 points down and New York 20 down; good Broach declined to Rs. 321 and fine Broach to Rs. 340. A fair business was done at these rates. The opener being 6 to 9 down the price for good Broach declined to Rs. 330 and fine to Rs. 339, at which rates moderate business was done. Prices for ready have declined from 1 to 2 per cent. in other classes. Market for ready lots is quiet, and shippers and mill agents are buying little lots as they require.

We learn of the following purchases made to-day:—

Bales.		Rs.
200 Akola	...Gadum & Co	... 291
200 Broach	... do	... 338-40
100 Khangam	... do	... 290
100 Omravatti	... do	... 280
100 Wardha (wet)	..E Spinner and Co	... 250
500 Broach ginned	...R D Master	... 340-46
500 Sirpore	... do	... 266 1/2
200 Oojan	...Swedish Mill	... 302
100 Broach	... do	... 344
100 Multan	...Ralli Bros	... 280
100 Purbaney	...Finlay Muir	... 315
200 Barsi	... do	... 316
300 Broach ginned	... do	... 340-6
100 Shegaum (Wet)	... Indo-China	... 253
100 Damangaum	... do.	... 262

We quote:—

Bengal Hand Gin. Fine	...	255 Ready.
" F. Good	...	245 "
Bengal Machine Gin. Fine	...	271 "
" F. Good	...	256 "
Sind Punjab Fine	...	269 "
" F. Good	...	254 "
Khandesh Fine	...	274 "
" F. Good	...	268 "
Amraoti Fine	...	288 "
" F. Good	...	280 "
Akola Khangaum Fine	...	289 "
" F. Good	...	281 "
Dhamangaon Poolgaon Fine	...	288 "
" F. Good	...	290 "
Yeotmal Fine	...	304 "
" F. Good	...	298 "
Nagpore Fine	...	311 "
" F. Good	...	303 "
Wardha Hinganghat Fine	...	312 "
" F. Good	...	304 "
Methia Fine	...	274 "
" F. Good	...	268 "
Broach Gin Good	...	320 Mar.
" Fine	...	339 "
Sawginned Dharwar Good	...	321 A.-M.
Coompta Ginned Good	...	327 "
Westerns "	...	303 "

Daily arrivals of Cotton by rail and sea during 48 hours ending at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 16th Feb:—

Khandesh	3,358 Bales.
Central India	1,065 "
Barsi and Nagur	1,051 "
Berar	6,415 "
Central Provinces	2,375 "
Comras...	13,065 "
Dholera	1,764 "
Broach...	1,362 "
Coompta and Dharwar ...	31 "
Bengals (N. W. P.)	491 "
Bengals (Rajputana)	686 "
Sind	348 "
Total ...	15,672 Bales.

LIVERPOOL, February 16.

Opening Tone and Prices.

	Easier
Opening Tone	
Estimated Sales	13,000
Total Imports	23,000

Future Delivery Prices:—

Feb.—Mar.	7·73—6
Mar.—Apr.	7·72—6
Apr.—May.	7·69—6
May—June	7·67—6
June—July	7·62—6
July—Aug.	7·57—6
Aug.—Sept.	7·27—5
Sept.—Oct.	6·88—4
Oct.—Nov.	6·69—9

FREIGHT.

Ports.	Seed.	Cotton.
Antwerp	16 0	... 17 0
Dunkirk	17 0	... 17 6
Havre	17 0	... 17 6
Hull	16 0	... .
Liverpool	16 6	... 17 0
Marseilles	16 6	... 17 0
Genoa	17 0	... 17 6
London	16 6	... .
Hamburg	17 0	... 17 6
Venice	17 0	... 18 0
Open Ports	March 16 0	...
Do. ...	...April-June 15 9	...

Market quiet and inactive.

METALS.

We quote:—

Copper Brasiers 4×4	lbs. 21	Rs.56 0
	28	
	35	
	42	
	56	Rs.56 4
	63	
	70	
	77	
	84	
Yellow Metal Sheets	24	
	28	
	35	Rs.45 0
	42	
	49	" 46 8
	56	
Tin Ingots.	...	" 39 14
Spelter S M	...	} " 29 6
M M	...	
J	...	
G	...	
Georgshutte	...	" 29 10
Copper Ingots K S	...	" 49 12
Copper Sheathings ...lbs. 8, 10, 12, 14		" 62
Yellow Metal Sheathings lbs. 16, 16 10. 12		" 48

IMPORTS OF TREASURE,

Wednesday, February 16.

GOLD.

No. of Packages.	Bullions	Sovs. and half Sovs.	Other coin.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
7 Packages...	...	1,050	1,772

SILVER.

No. of Packages	Dollars.	Govt. of India Rs.	Other coin.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1 Bundle ...	...	460	...
1 do ...	...	1,800	...
2 Bundles ...	...	4,600	...
4 Packages...	...	7,880	...
7 do ...	3,705	5,035	...

Importers.	Vessels.	From.
M. Mackenzie & Co	Bulimba	Jrak
Do ...	do	Muscat
A. M. Husen ...	do	Behrein
Sundry Importers ...	do	Dabai
Do ...	Majidi	Jeddah

EXPORTS OF BAR SILVER FROM BOMBAY by rail on 16th Feb. 1910.

By	Bars.	Ounces.
G. I. P. Railway ...	91	105,593
B. B. & C. I. Railway...	59	70,106

DAILY EXPORTS—FEB. 17.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Broadwater s—100 bales cotton, Diwadker and Co; 100 bales cotton, Tata Sons and Co; 100 bales cotton, Prier de Saone and Co; 1,000 cwts nigerseed, L Drefuse and Co; 6,022 cwts myrabollams, E Oomersey; 300 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co.

Elysia s—250 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 110 bales cotton, Glade and Co; 100 bales cotton, James Finlay and Co; 51 bales wool, D Haridas; 228 bales wool, D Koondemal; 10 bales wool, D Ramcower; 400 cwts nigerseed, Sining Material and Co; 102 cwts kang, 300 cwts nigerseed, and 100 cwts turmeric bulb, Baur and Krause; 1,280 cwts oil cakes, A Moritz and Co; 3,999 cwts maize, Sanday and Co; 200 bales cotton, Geddum and Co.

Trafford Hall s—4,000 cwts cottonseed, Sanday and Co.

FOR LONDON.

Caledonia s—65 cwts deer horns, J M Rebmtools.

Egypt s—3,981 cwts myrabollams and 4,300 cwts cottonseed, A Khimji.

FOR NEW YORK.

Elysia s—9 cwts dry herbs and 3 cases chawl mogra oil, Kemp and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Elysia s—250 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 87 cwts olibanum, B Bassons and A D Bassons: 2,000 cwts teelseed and 2,200 cwts groundnuts, L Drefuse and Co.

FOR BARCELONA.

Elysia s—150 bales cotton, W Wolf and Sons.

FOR MANCHESTER.

Elysia s—4 bales twist, Mody and Co.

FOR GLASGOW.

Elysia s—201 cwts nigerseed, Baur and Krause; 1,525 cwts myrabolams, E Oomersey.

FOR OPORTO.

Elysia s—50 bales cotton, Volkart Bros.

FOR HULL.

Hidalgo s—4,784 cwts cottonseed, A Khimji.

FOR PORT SAID.

Umzumbi s—2,500 cwts cottonseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR ANTWERP.

Chanda s—624 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 445 bales cotton, A Moritz and Co; 220 bales cotton, E Spinner and Co; 589 cwts myrabolams E Oomersey; 1,540 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co.

FOR DUNKIRK.

Hillforn s—8,542 cwts nigerseed, D Sassoon and Co; 6,000 cwts nigerseed, 10,000 cwts rapeseed and 2,000 cwts groundnuts, L Drefuse and Co; 385 bales cotton, J A Begbie and Co.

FOR HAMBURG.

Schoenfels s—894 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 220 bales cotton, Glade and Co; 336 bales cotton, The New Mofussil and Co; 344 bales cotton, W Wolf and Sons; 80 bales hemp, B Reeve and Co; 509 cwts myrabolams, T Canji; 2,000 cwts ajwanseed, 200 cwts turmeric bulb and 207 cwts olibanum, Baur and Krause, 2,080 cwts oil cakes, Glade and Co; 275 bales cotton Gaddum and Co; 2,000 cwts linseed, L Drefuse and Co.

FOR BREMAN.

Schoenfels s—1,600 cwts gingellyseed and 501 cwts poppyseed E D Sassoon and Co.

FOR HAVRE.

Broadwater s—100 bales cotton, W Wolf and Sons.

FOR HONGKONG.

Yetorofu Maru s—400 bales twist, E Ebrahim and Co; 250 bales twist, D Sassoon and Co; 975 bales twist, S J David and Co.

Devanha s—1,000 bales twist. C Ebrahim and Co.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Devanha s—700 bales cotton, Volkart Bros.

FOR YOKKAICHI.

Yetorofu Maru s—6 bales cotton, Volkart Bros.

EXPORT MANIFEST.

S. S. Delta 4,779 tons, Captain P. W. Snow sailed for China on 3rd day of February with 1,812 1-2 chests opium, 9,350 bales twist, 8,959 bales cotton and the following cargo:—

FOR SHANGHAI.

89 chests opium and 900 bales twist, S.J. David and Co; 195 chests opium, and 918 bales twist, D. Sassoon and Co; 186 chests opium, and 275 bales twist, C. Bomanji and Co; 75 chests opium and 400 bales twist, C. Ebrahim and Co; 88 chests opium, 1,100 bales twist and 100 bales twist cloth E. D. Sassoon and Co; 150 bales twist M. B. Kaisha; 760 bales twist C Bhawanidas; 150 bales twist M. M. Essabhoy; 100 bales twist, Framji Sons and Co; 1,471 bales twist and 600 bales cotton, Tata Sons and Co; 1,600 bales cotton W. Wolf & Sons; 1,700 bales cotton, Volkart Bros; 648 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

FOR HONGKONG.

110 chests opium, P. and O. S. N. and Co; 57 chests opium, B. and P. S. N. and Co; 208 1-2 chests opium, C. Bomanji and Co; 189 chests opium, and 900 bales twist, S. J. David and Co; 196 chests opium, D. Sassoon and Co; 158 chests opium, and 900 bales twist C. Ebrahim and Co; 261 chests opium, and 1,011 bales twist E. D. Sassoon and Co; 125 bales twist Framji Sons and Co; 190 bales twist, M. M. Essabhoy; 450 bales twist, M. B. Kaisha 304 bales cotton Ralli Bros; 1 case ivory and 2 cases genda horns M H K Elias, 20 cases ivory and 2 cases genda horns K N Mianee and Co; 42 cases gum coarse A H Mawji and Co; 22 cases condiments M M Poonjiaji and Co; 18 cases condiments, M. Poonjiaji and Sons; 53 cases raisins D N Shroff and Co; 57 cases sharkfins E Moledina, 10 cases raisins Y L Hingkee, 10 cases sharkfins V Oaka; 101 cases raisins and 17 cases jerdaloo Jassawalla Bros; 24 cases raisins V Nerpal and Co; 203 bags sandlewood, 101 bags myrabolams M M Essabhoy; 80 bags gum P Jaithabhoy.

FOR KOBE.

367 bales cotton M B Kaisha; 200 bales cotton D D Currance and Co; 200 bales cotton H N Madraswalla and Co; 2,000 bales cotton Volkert Bros; 200 bales cotton Vatcha Ghandi and Sons.

FOR YOKOHAMA.

300 bales cotton M B Kaisha; 300 bales cotton D D Currance and Co; 200 bales cotton Vatcha Ghandhi and Sons.

FOR OSAKA.

100 bales cotton A Blaicheck and Co; 200 bales cotton H N Madraswalla and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

400 bales cotton Volkart Bros.

FOR SAMARANG.

27 bales twist M. & A. Graham and Co.

FOR PENANG.

23 cases butter Stuffed and Co., 30 bags fennelseeds 12 bags cumminseed J. S. Adalsein, 2 cases cotton goods Warden and Co., 3 cases jerdaloo and 4 bags copra Y. L. Hinghie, 2 cases cotton goods A. A. Rahim.

FOR BANGKOK.

3 bales twist and 10 cases cotton goods M. Smailji, 1 bale twist and 26 cases cotton goods A. C. Husanaily, 29 bales twist and 23 cases cotton goods J. Allebhoy, 18 bales twist and 28 cases cotton goods, A T Esmailji.

FOR SINGAPORE.

15 cases galls M. J. Manesich, 6 cases butter National Dairy and Co., 3 cases tea D. Rawji, 30 bags corianderseed Toolsidas and Co., 108 bags coriandersced, 10 cases jerdaloo and 10 cases raisins N. Ladhoo, 10 bags fennelseed, 3 cases nakhla and 30 cases cloves L. Ebrahimji, 36 bales twist D. Sasseon and Co., 200 bales twist H. H. Varim, 110 bales twist Lyon and Co., 2 cases cotton goods A. T. Esmailji.

FOR COLOMBO.

12 cases butter Imperial Dairy and Co., 12 cases butter Lancashire Dairy and Co., 30 cases butter National Dairy and Co., 4 cases cotton goods H. K. H. Mahomed, 75 bales cotton A. Habibbhoy 6 bales twist E. Futehbhoy.

IMPORT.

S.S. Shah Ameer 1,921 tons Captain B. B. Pigo arrived in harbour on Wednesday from Mauri tius with cargo of 3,9050 bags Sugar.

S.S. Galvale 3,441 tons Captain E Secony arrived in harbour on Thursday from Mauritius with cargo of 4,1482 bags sugar.

S.S. Pearlmoor 2,676 tons Captain C S Moffett arrived in harbour on Thursday from Blyth with cargo of Coal.

THE CENTURY S. & M. COMPANY.

As notified in issue of 9th and 10th instant an extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Century Spinning and Manufacturing Company, Ld., was held at their office yesterday morning, with Mr. C. N. Wadia, as Chairman. The various resolutions set forth in the notice circulated among the shareholders were duly passed.

HARMSTON'S CIRCUS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—May I make a reasonable suggestion to the proprietors of the above circus through the medium of your columns? It is this: Attractive and admirable in every way as it is, the public would find it doubly so, were it not overcrowded. The wonder is why the person in charge issues the tickets when there is no room for accommodation whatsoever. Consequently the spectators undergo inconvenience through the pressure of the crowd and a wave of insupportable heat is borne along the audience. Were an improvement made in this direction, I am sure the public will appreciate the sanity of the measure and thank its organizers. Another point of vital importance, which deserves consideration at their hands, is to strictly prohibit smoking which through negligence (God forbid) may some day lead to disastrous results. I cannot conclude this letter without remarking that never before has this circus exhibited such excellent feats in legerdemain and such a marvellous command in bicycle accomplishments. Not to mention others of equal merit the latter of which holds the audience spell-bound in unanimous admiration.—Yours, &c.,

PHIROZ P. KHANDALAWLAA

UNIVERSITY OF BOMBAY.

MR. K. SUBRAMANI AIYAR, B.A., L.T., F.S.A.A., has given notice of his intention to move at the next meeting of the Senate of the University of Bombay, the following amendment to Sir Pherozeshah Mehta's proposition No. 4:—That the words after 'Senate' be omitted and that the following words be substituted: "Is of opinion (a) that the Previous Examination ought to be abolished, the promotion of students from the first year to the second year class being left entirely in the hands of the Principal of each Arts College;" "(b) that a certificate from the Principal of an Arts College, that a Matriculate has completed the first year's course and has been found fit for promotion to the second year class should be accepted by the University as a qualification for admission to the Medical, Engineering, and Agricultural College."

MR. D. G. Padhye, B. A., has given intimation that in case any of the amendments to the fourth proposition proposed by Sir Pherozeshah Mehta, having the effect of abolishing the P. E or converting it into a College examination to test progress during the first year, is adopted by the Senate, he will move the following amendment:—Add at the end the words: "and that the preliminary standard of admission for the Professional Degrees (Medicine, Engineering and Agriculture) shall be passing the examination held in Arts Colleges to test progress during the first year, the course for the first year and the standard for passing to be fixed by the University." or (to be moved only if the above amendment is not adopted) add as the end the words: "and that the preliminary standard of admission for the Professional Degrees (Medicine, Engineering and Agriculture) shall be the student's studying for one year at an Arts College, during which year the Principal of the College must certify to his having made satisfactory progress in all subjects taught."

WEEKLY PLAGUE REPORT.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, FEBRUARY 17.

During the last week the plague mortality rose from 14,144 to 15,286. The provincial figures were:—The United Provinces 6,700; the Punjab, 2,318; Bengal, 2,120; Central Provinces, 1,706; Bombay Presidency, 1,016; Rajputana, 918; Burma, 265; Hyderabad and Central India, 76, each; Mysore State, 60; Madras, 31; and Kashmir, 1.

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

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OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

MARRIAGE.

CRESWELL—BAXTER—January 25, at Holy Trinity Church, Karachi, SubConductor John Creswell, India Miscellaneous List, 1st (Peshawar) Divisional Staff Office, to Isabel, 3rd daughter of the late Richard William Baxter, of Reading, Berkshire.

H. T. BINKS,
UNDERTAKER
AND
MONUMENTAL SCULPTOR,
Parel Road, Chinchpoogly, Bombay.
TELEPHONE NO. 947.

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Bombay Standing Committee, 1 p.m.
Bombay Open Polo Tournament 4 and 5 p.m.
English Mail expected at 6 a. m.
Novelty Cinematograph 6-30, 8-30 and 10 p.m.
Excelsior Cinematograph, 7, 8-30, and 10 p.m.
Harmston's Circus, behind Gowalia Fire Brigade Station, 9-30 p.m.

Maxim: "It is an arduous task to make all men your friends; it is enough to have no enemies."

GRANT COLLEGE MEDICAL SOCIETY.—The monthly meeting of the Society will be held in the Grant College Library to-day at 5-15 p. m. (S. T.)

ARRIVAL OF A CHIEF.—His Highness the Maharajah of Jodhpur attended by 24 followers, has arrived in Bombay and has put up in a bungalow in Walkeshwar.

ADDITIONAL JUDGE FOR BOMBAY HIGH COURT.—It is reported that the Chief Justice has asked Government for the appointment of an eighth Judge to clear off the arrears of work in the Bombay High Court.

BURGLARY IN THE NATIVE TOWN.—A report has been made to the police that on the night of the 15th instant Rs. 2,764 in currency notes were stolen from the shop of Noor Mahomed Haji Jan Mahomed Latiff, a dealer in fancy goods, in Janjikar Street.

NEW DEWAN IN CHHOTA OODEYPORE.—Mr Ganpatrao Narayan Laud, Dewan at Vansda, has been appointed by the Maharaj of Chhota Oodeypore to be his Dewan. Mr. Ganpatrao has had long experience as a political officer. As Dewan at Sachin, Wadhwan, Vakaner, Palitana, Rajkote, and Vansda, he introduced many important changes in the administration for the benefit of the States and their subjects.

BAND AT THE PAREL INSTITUTE.—By kind permission of Lieut-Colonel S. J. Sarjant, V.D., and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battalion, G. I. P. Railway Volunteers, will play the following programme of music, under the direction of Mr. A. Ballandaine, Bandmaster, commencing at 6 p. m. to-day:—

March	Uncle Sammy ... Hobzmann
Overture	Tancredi ... Rossini
Valse	Mondunckt auf der Alster ... Straus
Selection	Haddon Hall ... Sullivan
Novelty	Teddy Bear's Picnic ... Bratten
Galop	Odeons Freuden ... Latann

THE PARSEE GENERAL HOSPITAL.—The Secretary begs to announce receipt of the following contributions towards the above named Hospital:—Amounts previously acknowledged, Rs. 17,87,455-13-3; Mr. Viceji D. B. Tarapoorwala, Rs. 1,000; sent direct to the Trustees of the Parsi Punchayet: Amount subscribed by Mr. Ardeser Rustomji Subedar in the Oothamna ceremony of his late mother-in-law, Bai Khorsedbai Kekashrn N. Chandabhoy who died on 27-3-1879, Rs. 57; amount subscribed by Bai Buchubai Shapurji N. Chandabhoy in the Othamna ceremony of her sister-in-law, Bai Korsedbai Kekashru N. Chandabhoy, Rs. 25; amount subscribed by Messrs. Hormusji and Pheroozshah Bejanji Chandabhoy in the Oothamna ceremony of their relative, Bai Korshedbai Kekashroo N. Chandabhoy, Rs. 26; in memory of the anniversary of the late Mr. Naserwanji Jamshedji Mody by a relative, Rs. 19, Rs. 106; in memory of the late Bai Dhanbaiji Mancherji Banaji from a relative, Rs. 100; from the amount subscribed in the Oothamna ceremony of the late Bai Gulbai Hirjibhoy Belgaumwala, daughter of Mr. Hormusji Dorabjee Gurder of Andheri who died on Roj Khordad Maha Khordad 1279 (17th November) through Mr. Hirjibhoy Hormusji, Rs. 50; Mr. Bomanji Eduji Cassinath, in memory of his late son Jamshed for the months of January and February 1910, Rs. 50; in memory of Bai Manijeh Pirojshah R Vakil, through Mr. Rustomji Jehangir Vakil, Rs. 45; A Share Broker of Petit Shares, Rs. 30; amount subscribed in the Oothama ceremony of the late Bai Meherbai Pestonji Kharegbat by Mr Jehangir Rutton

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VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—Feb. 17.

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Hoke.....2896	Hill.....	W&A Graham & Co
Kirby 2482	Marsey.....	T Morrison & Co
Lalimba.....1607	Butler	M M & Co
City of Vienna...29 6	Greenham.....	B & P S N& Co
Mamba.....759	Mox on.....	M M & Co
Clan Farquhar...2757	Wadge.....	James Finlay & Co
Rhelwyne.....20 6	Hu-sh	T Morrison & Co
Killfern.....2726	William...	W& A Graham& Co
Imaum 2704	Weydehl.....	K Nizons Co
Woven 2272	Saunders	The Indo Burma Petroleum & Co
Mineri..... 911	Miere.....	B & P S N & Co
Oceana 3507	Bruce.....	P & O S N Co
Pearlmoor.....2576	Moffett.....	The Bombay & Co
Rodhill 2504	Dowell...	W & A Graham & Co
Shah Navaz.....2532	Mitchell.....	B & H S N Co
Sheikh 28 8	Wai-o.....	Killick Nixon &Co
Wardha.....2552	Ar-hdeacon	M M & Co

VESSELS IN DOCK.—Feb. 17.
PRINCE'S DOCK.

	Tns	Capt.	Dest.	Date.	Agents
A Clan Lindsay.....2499	Harris...	N F...	11-3...	James Finlay & Co
B Devanha.....4785	Powell.....	Stream	12-2	P & O S N Co
B Trafford Hall.....3431	Hood.....	Liverpool	2-3...	Killick
C & R Denbigh Hall...3210	MacPherson...	Karachi...	18	Killick Nixon & Co
G Mahomadi...251	Geddie...	Zanzibar.....	21-2...	B & P S N Co
L Bodrie...1613	Collinson.....	Aden ...	18-2 .	G Jeewaji
M Fakkri.....2556	Revill.....	Mauritius.....	19-2	Bombay & Hazaz Co
N Umsumbi.....2134	Mitchell ...	Hull...	19-2 ..	W & A Graham & Co
O Mashtari... 1109	Primrose.....	Stream...	16-2...	B & P S N Co
P Glenesk 2093	Hurst...	Antwerp...	1-3...	Killick Nixon & Co
Q Shah Ameer.....1921	Pigot.....	F F...	N F...	B & H S N& Co

H W P D

Bahadurl...929	Fakeer a...	Mangalore.	18-2.	Bo S N Co Ld
Kaveri 553	Mahomed ...	B'nagar...	19-2...	Bo S N & Co Ld
Netravati...699	Cassam...	(repairing).		Bo S N & Co Ld
Patrunji...547	Esmail...	N F...	N F...	Bo S N & Co Ld

H W V D

Lhasa.....950	McDiarmid...	Karachi...	18-2	M M & Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

1 Sofala...3435	Boosman...	Rangoon..	19-2..	M M & Co
2 Elysia 3994	Haig...	Liverpool...	25-2...	W & A Graham & Co
8 Galavale... ...2441	Seeony.....	Karachi	20-2 ..	James Finlay & Co
7 Schoenfels...3611	Rode ..	Hamburg...	22-2...	W & A Graham & Co
8 Hayda...2492	Ferguson...	Marseille...	22-2...	N-F Ralli Bros
9 Chanda...3951	Tice ..	Antwerp...	20-2 ..	M M & Co
10&11 Egypt.....4178	Summers ...	London...	12-3...	P & O S N Co
13 Caledonia ...3529	W Hayward...	London...	26-2 ..	P & O S N Co
15 Yetorofu Maru...3967	Keith...	Kobe...	25-2...	N Y Kalaha
18 Broadwater...2466	N F...	...Liverpool.....	26-2 ..	T Morrison & Co

ARRIVALS.

Feb.	Vessel.	Commander.	From
17	Galavale s	S eony	Mauritius, Feb. 3
	Pearlmoor s.....	Moffett	Blyth, Jan. 13
	Clan Farquhar s...	Wadge.....	Mauritius, Feb. 7

DEPARTURES.

Feb.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
17	Edwards Music s..	Hraglich	Moulmein
	Kaiser s	Holdt	Zanzibar
	Hidalgo s	Croft	Hull

The following vessels began to load on Thursday :—
Steamer Mantua for London.

MADRAS.
ARRIVALS.

Feb.	Vessel	From
11	Rabenfels	Antwerp
14	Islanda	Rangoon
14	Teesta	Straits
14	Wathfield	Calcutta
15	Palamcotta	Rangoon
15	Colaba	London
15	Sirdhana	Calcutta
15	Lindula	Negapatam

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The P and O Co's steamer Delhi, with the homeward mails of the 12th instant arrived at Aden at 11-30 p m on Wednesday the 16th idem.

ARRIVALS.

Per s.s. "City of York," Feb. 20.

The Ellerman (City and Hall) Lines, Ltd., "City of York," Commander John Wilson, is due to arrive in Bombay at about 9 a.m. on Sunday the 20th instant. Passengers and their baggage will be landed by Steam Tender at Ballard Pier. The following is a list of passengers :—

FROM LIVERPOOL TO BOMBAY.

Armstrong, Mr W D	Kelly, Miss M A
Bedford, Mr	Mackay, Mr W
Bedford, Mrs	Mayadas, Miss E M
Booker, Mr F W	M'Nicol, Mr W M
Deely, Colonel	M'Nicol, Mrs
Deely, Mrs Child and Infant and Nurse	Moore, Miss A
	Phillips, Mr W J
Fitzgerald, Mr D	Purton, Rev G A
Fitzgerald, Mrs D	Wade, Mr S
Flag, Lieut A	Webb, Miss
Godsall, Mr G A	Wigfield, Miss M H
Godsall, Miss	Wigfield, Miss G
Godsall, Miss H	Williamson, Mrs C F and Infant
Guthrie Mr Murray, Hall-Hall, Miss K	

NAPLES TO BOMBAY.

Bell, Mrs G H	Percival, Mrs P E
Gunter, Mr R G	Picton, Major R E
Hamilton, Miss	Wenyon, Dr C M

Per s.s. "Austria," Feb. 17.

The following passengers arrived here by the Austrian Lloyd s. s. "Austria," from Trieste and intermediate ports yesterday evening :—

Andrew, Revd	Ostrowsky, Miss and Maid
Coffin, Mr and Mrs	Orezy, Mr D
Cunna da, Mrs	Rubink, Capt
Cunna da, Miss	Reichert, Mr Karl
Kallay, Mr	States, rs. Mrs and 2 children
Nagy, Mr	
Ostrowsky, Count and Countess	Vadney da, Mrs
	Zichy, Count

THE dacoity committed at the house of one Kristo Shaha of Botilha in Manekganj subdivision is not serious as reported in the first report. Mr. Dunlop went to the scene of the occurrance and returned after making a personal enquiry. It is reported that five or six persons, dressed like gentlemen, broke into the house of Kristo Shaha at midnight and carried away the small cash they could lay their hands on without committing any violence.

THE report of the Anglo-Indian delegates to the seventh Congress of the Chamber of Commerce at Sydney has been published. Messrs. McRobert and Allen emphasise the importance of exchanging views among the commercial delegates of the Empire. Resolution No. 8 of the Congress has previously appeared in the press.

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REFORM IN CHINA AND JAPAN.

A CHINESE Imperial rescript, issued a month ago, by the Prince Regent, runs : "In reflecting respectfully upon our several ancestors we recall that they attained the acme of benevolence and sacredness and, in their rule over the people and administration of the Empire, they at all times sought to afford ample opportunities for censorial comments, and to adopt to the widest extent the suggestions of the multitude. Since our accession, we have diligently aimed at securing benign administration, we have without prejudice accepted and put into operation straightforward suggestions and advice beneficial to the cause of Government or to the common weal. Even memorials submitted by the officials or people through superior officials are carefully perused by us and dealt with as considered advisable. Lately, among the Ministers who have been straightforward and fearless, pouring out their patriotic hearts, there have been others who entertain selfish views and cavil at small matters, regardless of general propriety. Others, again, have neither originated nor suggested a single measure, but live in silent idleness. Thereby they do great injustice to our earnest desire for good Government. After this warning we will overlook the past, but will lay emphasis on the future. If officials reponsible for suggestions, or who submit suggestions on others' behalf, make valuable suggestions, in their solicitude for the situation of the State and the people, they will be rewarded and their suggestions will instantly be given effect. If, however, they still refuse to reform and continue to address us with worthless suggestions, penalties will be meted out to them without lenience. By this course we hope to show our sincere wish extensively to adopt loyal counsels and to lend our best energies to attain benign Government in the country." And it is by the issue of such hifalutin rescripts and decrees as this that the Prince Regent hopes to see the country, over whose destinies he for the time-being presides proceed on the path of reform to prosperity and contentment. It is not surprising that we find Dr. Gilbert Reid, at Shanghai, drawing a comparison, between progress in Japan and China, which is far from flattering to the latter Empire. The reform movement in China has not only been retarded by the indifference of which the Prince Regent complains, but also from its initial stage of dim aspiration to its present period of forward haste and discontented determination, has been impeded by personal rivalries, jealousies and strife. The same has been true of Japan, but the Japanese are made of sterner stuff and have risen, or are rising, superior to these considerations. Yet Dr. Reid believes that the internal conflicts and personal animosities, which have been witnessed in China, since the need of reform was first recognised, have been duly felt and in some respects unduly magnified by those near the scenes. The reformers acted with a fair degree of unanimity until the *coup d'etat* of 1898 when the reformer, Yuan-Shih-Kai, joined forces with the extreme element of the reactionaries. Then China stood with face set against every reform, trembling even to whisper the very word, until she experienced the rather severe shake and sudden reawakening which was given her by the presence of the armies of all the great nations, to punish the Government which countenanced the barbarisms of the Boxer uprising. Since the death of the Empress-Dowager, Yuan-Shih-Kai has been dismissed, but the Prince Regent is considered to have maintained his zeal and determination for constitutional adjustment. Yet within the year it is shown that there has been friction between Tieh Liang of the Board of War and the Prince Regent; there has been a clash between Tuan Fang and the present Empress-Dowager; bickerings in the palace and an alarming disagreement between the Central Government and the provincial gentry and particularly the newly-established political assemblies. So it is not safe to conclude that internal discord and personal jealousies are still not bound to influence progress in the Celestial Empire.

Such influences made themselves felt in Japan, but only for a time, and proved no serious danger; but it does not follow that they will have as little ill-effect in China, for it is doubted if there is in the Chinese reform party that solid ability and cautious far-sightedness which Japan enjoyed. Official life stands higher than in China, while commercial life in China is superior to that in Japan. Unfortunately, however, as we are assured by those who know, that the character of business men in China has fallen of late below its splendid record of the past. Dr. Reid thinks one reason of this may be the closer contact of officialism and commercial enterprise, the former contaminating the latter. Too many merchants are aspiring to become taotais, too many mandarins are becoming managing directors. Without a genuine reform in Chinese officialdom deterioration and disaster will mark the course of the China trade from its moral incapacities. With additions made in legal codes, with the establishment of schools of law, with an increased number of touring experts, the justice and purity of the Chinese Courts of law are no more guaranteed to-day than twenty years ago. And it is here, it is claimed, that Japan, in spite of all complaints, far outranks China. "In the moral and religious phases of educational reform of the new learning—the balance between the two peoples hangs nearly even; that is, in both countries, conscience in the schools has less effective training than in the abandoned system of the past." The consequence is that with China's inauguration of various reforms, there is a strong tendency, on the part of the younger element to break away from religion and even from Confucianism, so far as its religious ideas are concerned. Worse than this, it is felt, is the failure to lay emphasis on an upright character in official life, and Dr. Reid points out that while the cry is loud for national reform, there is still a need for individual reformation, or better for spiritual regeneration. Official corruption, avarice and moral insensibility, have their grip on officialism more than in the conservative period of pre-reform.

Japan has this great advantage over China that it venerates its Emperor, whilst China has but a Regent, whom it may respect but can never elevate to the same high degree of importance. Japan is devoted to the State; Chinese patriotism is of a different kind. It has been described as love for the Chinese, not for the Manchus, Mongols or any other of the varied elements that form the Empire. The predominant power of Manchus in the Peking Government hardly tends to mutual appreciation and national amalgamation. There is devotion to the Chinese race but not to the State. But what tends to increase the rate of progress in Japan is that she enjoys full religious liberty, which China does not. Japan has developed her own resources. China, in consequence of her neglect to do this and to keep pace with civilisation, has attracted foreign capitalists. She is caught in a tangle of financial difficulties from which she will not free herself for years. Japan, after thirteen years of careful preparation, announced a Constitution which has remained without modification or amendment down to the present. Laws enacted by the Imperial Diet have been modified from time to time, but not the Constitution. In China there is nothing definite in an all-round Constitution. There are innumerable regulations, elaborated by the Bureau of Constitutional Affairs and committed to the Provinces for their due observance. If objections grow strong, alterations are made forthwith. Constitutional Government in China has come to mean Government with a Parliament, not Government with a Constitution. Whether China has the men and whether the people will allow the time for drawing up a Constitution which the Provinces will accept, are points on which there is considerable difference of opinion. For the present, writes Dr. Reid, "there is indefiniteness except in the general principle of granting a limited popular authority." But long years will roll before China can hope for the same degree of progress and reform as has been achieved by Japan. The size of the country, to say nothing of the apathy of the people, will, of necessity, retard progress and render the march of reform exceedingly slow.

DISAPPEARING HORSES.

BOMBAY has already felt something of the effects of mechanical traction in commercial vehicles and taxi-cabs, with many private motors, and if this has not yet been enough seriously to interfere with the trade in horses, it is because the average man who can afford a motor can also afford to keep a horse which, as often as not, is kept largely for the exercise which is necessary in India. In England, however, it is a very different state of affairs and it has been stated by Messrs. Aldridge, the well-known horse dealers, that thousands fewer horses are annually disposed of than was formerly the case and in London alone from ten to twelve thousand fewer horses are now used each year owing to mechanical traction taking their place, and that this is not purely local is shown by the very great decrease in the export of horses. The class of horse which has stood the competition best is the van horse which seems to be holding its own, for it is particularly suited for heavy draught work. Mechanical traction has not reached a reliable stage so far as this class of work is concerned. The machinery is unreliable, breakdowns are frequent, the vibration is so great, and the weight of cars, exclusive of the freight they bear, is calculated to have a prejudicial effect upon the roads they traverse. So van horses remain practically unaffected, brewers, carriers, and railway companies still using them extensively. It is quite a different tale with others, for there is an appreciable difference in the sale of almost every other kind of horse. The doctor no longer uses a brougham, the cab proprietor has no need to frequent sales, the private individual no longer jobs his horses. Breeders feel the effect of all this and they have for a long time bemoaned the advent of cars, which have ruined their business. The omnibus companies furnish the best possible illustration of the marked effect of the change which has taken place. Some few years ago one London company alone owned more than 20,000 horses, to-day that number has been reduced by more than one-half, whilst in a year's time it is anticipated it will not own 5,000. In this special connection it may be noted that formerly this same company held four thousand horses at the disposal of Government in time of need. Where the horses are to be found in future is a problem which seems to admit of no solution, for in some things the horse cannot be dispensed with in time of war. The reason of this great decrease in horses is largely to be found in the changes of public vehicles. The old 'bus had a complement of eleven horses and a cab as many as three so that a motor 'bus and a taxi-cab are responsible for displacing fourteen horses at once. In one matter only can it be claimed that there is an undisputed improvement, namely in the cleanliness of the streets, but even this has been gained at a heavy cost as regards noise, vibration and danger to pedestrians.

THE "CLEVELAND" TOURISTS.

RESIDENTS in Bombay will have no difficulty in remembering the flood of American tourists, which invaded the city towards the end of last year, and for several days pervaded it and its surroundings. They afforded a certain amount of amusement, excited a certain amount of distaste, and then in several directions went their ways. We understood that they would "do" in American fashion a fairly extended tour in the Far East and then go home. About now, they should be getting homewards, and the United States Government, evidently with a Yankee's keen sense of humour, has prepared a pleasant surprise for them. Going home is to be a costly business. They will be rather like the little boy, who having paid to go in, was called on again to pay to go out. They paid to come out, fairly heavily to an American passenger agency, and now the Government demands that they should pay fairly heavily to go in. It seems that in the States they have a law penalising foreign ships from transporting passengers from one American port to another. The "Cleveland" being a Hamburg-Amerika liner is a foreign ship and some humourist has discovered that having set sail from New York and, having taken her passenger on a "round the world tour," by disembarking them at San Francisco, she is transgressing this enactment. It is rather a far-stretched imagination which permits such a joke, but all the same it makes the owners of the "Cleveland" liable to a fine of £ 40 per head on 650 passengers. We can imagine some sour looks on the San-Francisean landing stage. And if the Americans can look more sour or more crabbed than they did in Bombay, one is glad not to be there to see them. Seriously, however, the United States Government is treating the "Cleveland" tourists very harshly. Presumably their law has been framed for the protection of their coasting passenger traffic, and it needs a very imaginative turn of mind to decide that an "all round the world tour" in any way competes with such business. The best, that we can hope for the tourists is that the authorities having had their joke will treat them lightly, Reuter wires of a £40 fine. Presumably that is the maximum, and we would respectfully suggest that the minimum, whatever it is, will meet the case. Painful as they may be, the tourists certainly do not deserve a fine of £40 per head, and possibly they will dish the sharp U. S. officials after all by landing at a British Columbian port.

AFTER enquiry into the question of the validity of the election of the Hon'ble Moulvie Rafiuddin Ahmad as an Additional Member of the Legislative Council of the Governor of Bombay by the Mahomedan community of the Central Division, raised by Mr. Hanifkhan Dawoodkhan Deshmukh under Regulation XVI of the Regulations for the nomination and election of Additional Members of the Legislative Council of the Governor of Bombay, His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to declare that the Hon'ble Moulvie Rafiuddin Ahmad was duly elected.

SIR LANCELOT HARE will hold a Durbar here on 16th March when a formal investiture will take place.

MR. JUSTICE HARRINGTON of the Calcutta High Court will deliver judgment to-day in the Alipore bomb case reference.

THE total sum collected by the Transvaal Indian Fund in Rangoon up to date amounts to Rs. 20,000, of which £650 has been remitted to the Transvaal.

RAILWAY earnings to date are now below the recorded figures of 1907-08 by 4½ lakhs and better than the figures for the corresponding figures of last year by 207 lakhs.

WOMEN'S INTERESTS

(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, JANUARY 28.

BAD YEARS.

I hear on all sides that the sales have done very badly this winter, and that the shops are at present extraordinarily empty. Of course, the prevailing craze for politics accounts for this up to a certain point, but the question is, how far can we look for improvement in the near future? A Liberal Government, even with a much reduced majority, would play havoc with the chances of a good season, and so long as there is a possibility of the Budget becoming law, people are not likely to spend more money than they can possibly help. The outlook certainly is not cheerful for people in society. Last season was described as the worst since the war. I do not see any likelihood that the coming season will be much better.

LADIES AND AVIATION.

There appears to be an increase in the number of ladies who have succumbed to the fascinations of the flying-machine. Miss Dorothy Levitt, who is well known as a daring lady motorist, has for a considerable time been making a study of aviation, and recently accompanied Mr. Mortimer Singer, the well-known English sportsman, on a flight of fifteen minutes' duration. Considering that Mr. Singer had only had four lessons in flying previously, the experiment must have called for no little confidence. Miss Levitt had previously made a number of flights with Mr. Hubert Latham.

SPORT AND AGE.

The cynic who is responsible for the remark "that you can only be young once" can be taken in various ways, either that people never grow old (vide) present day, or that youth, middle age and old age follow each other, and each have their special amusements, youth being supposed to have a monopoly. A friend who has been enjoying sports in the Alps has something to say on the matter. Although I have known an exceedingly active damsel of something over sixty summers *learn* to ski to the extent of acquitting herself quite respectably on half-day expeditions, it is clearly an exercise best suited to the relatively youthful and to the really robust. Don't ski unless you are fairly strong and in moderately good training, it takes it out of you too much, and your disability to keep up with the others is a cause of anguish to yourself and no matter how patient they may be, rather trying to your party. My sixty-year-old friend was an exception, having hunted from her childhood, and still hunts, never having slackened her grasp of youth at all. But skate you may at any age; I have seen the tiniest things, barely through their creeping stage, strapped on to skates and actually finding their balance in a surprising way. Now let me hasten to add, that I think it can be good for such tender little limbs to have the strain put upon them. In the other direction there is, of course, no age-limit, and Methusaleh as well as Madame M. can frequently give points in style to the leggy boys and girls who out up the ice in their desperately energetic endeavours to make strides.

FASHIONS.

A coat and skirt in charmeuse with folded rivers, has much to commend it for the spring and would look equally well as velvet made with the fashionable short skirt. The coat worn at present is the Russian type, belted at the waist and cut away to show a dainty frilled shirt and lace edged Peter Pan collar and attractive tie. It is decreed, and wisely, that our skirts are to be just a little wider at the base. They have been this winter a trifle too skimpy round the feet. An exaggerated interpretation of any vogue always runs the risk of being ridiculous and apropos of this subject I think it may be considered rather a good thing that the new very big hat shapes avoid, by means of the raising of the brim at one point or another, the truly absurd effect that was created when the brim blotted out the shoulder lines. I shall never forget a stout little woman I met one day in a colossal mushroom hat. Her silhouette from the back was indeed a sight for the gods!

ELEGANCE.

At all cost, in the present day women must be slim. The three great essentials just now, are: a large hat, a short skirt, and a slender figure. How cruel nature appears to be. On some people fat will accumulate. The back of the neck acquires a nasty little hump on it, mounds settle themselves comfortably on the hips, the arms also take on layers. Pride is painful, is an old adage. So the latest cure for fat is a French one and consists of friction with a horse-hair flesh-brush, and then painting the skin with a liquid which entering into the pores, is said to break up the fat which is worse than this, or semi-starvation, another method strongly advocated.

JEWELLERY.

Cameos are once more fighting their way to the front. We find them in the flat headdresses, in the neck ornaments, and imitated in embroideries on *some of the* dresses. Is not this sufficient indication of a revival of an ornament that has been scorned for years, and only seen on portly ladies of a bygone generation in the shape of a brooch fastening a lace collar?

SOMETHING NEW.

What a pity it is that crazes of health or religion, or both, seem to have an irresistible attraction for those who might enjoy a happy and useful life if they only would be content to go on in the old ways. A little while ago a wave of Christian science seemed to pass over society, and as a consequence, much dissension entered into the domestic atmosphere of various homes, which did not tend to promote peace in all cases. Now we seem to be in for a theosophy boom, and already, by what I hear, the home of one noble family has been entirely wrecked by this latest fad. Why, I ask again, cannot people be content with the old philosophies without always seeking, like the Athenians of yore, to know or to hear some new thing!

SUFFRAGETTES.

"In March 1739, we hear of the Duchess of Queensberry as one of the ringleaders in an escapade which reads like an account of the doing of a crowd of twentieth century Suffragettes," says John Fyvie, in "Wits, Beaux and Beauties of the Georgian Era." The Duchess with several other ladies had been present in the Gallery of the House of Lords, when the merchants of London stated at the bar of the House certain grievances which they had against the Government of Spain; but when this important matter was to be debated, a day or two afterwards, the Lords unanimously resolved that ladies should be excluded and the Gallery reserved solely for members of the House of Commons. But as we learn from one of Lady Mary Wortley Montague's letters, a party of noble dames resolved to resist so arbitrary a decree." I look upon these ladies as the boldest assertors and most resigned sufferers for liberty I ever heard of. They presented themselves at the door at nine o'clock in the morning, where Sir Charles Saundereon respectfully informed them that the Chancellor had made an order against their admittance. The Duchess of Queensberry, as head of the squadron, piqued at the ill-breeding of a mere lawyer, desired him to let them upstairs privately. After some moderate refusals he swore by G— he would not let them in. Her Grace with a noble warmth, answered by G— they would come, in spite of the Chancellor and the whole House. This being reported, the Peers resolved to starve them out; an order was made that the doors should not be opened till they had raised the siege. These Amazons now showed themselves qualified for the duty, even of foot soldiers, they stood there till five in the afternoon. . . . Every now and then playing volleys of thumps, kicks and raps against the door with so much violence that the speakers in the House were scarce heard. When the Lords were not conquered by this, the two Duchesses (very well apprised of the use of stratagems in war) commanded a dead silence of half an hour; and the Chancellor, who thought this a certain proof of their absence (the Commons also being very impatient to enter) gave orders for the opening of the door, upon which they all rushed in, pushed aside their competitors, and placed themselves in the front row of the gallery. They stayed there till eleven, when the House rose; and during the debate gave applause and showed marks of dislike not only by smiles and winks (which have always been allowed in these cases), but by noisy laughs and apposent contempt."

A CHAT ABOUT BOOKS.

"THE GREAT GAY ROAD," by Tom Gallon—(Long.)—Any book by the author of "Tattenly" will be read. All the books by one author are not of the same literary merit, but most of Tom Gallon's books are worth reading. Tolfrey Kite is a vagabond and loves the road, and like all true vagabonds, has no beginning or end. He has been wandering along the road and sleeping under hedges for many years and will continue to do so to the end. He falls in love with an uninteresting lady, but she loves another. So he continues on the road. There are a great many other figures to interest one on the road, but Tolfrey Kite is the hero full of swagger and pathos.

"WHITE WALLS," by MAX PEMBERTON—(Ward Lock and Co.)—The scene of this most thrilling story is laid in the most barbaric portion of Hungary, inhabited by a mining community. Ulusia, the heroine, is a girl fresh from a convent, returned to her uncle at Rabka. The cause of all the trouble which overtook Ulusia was Count Rudolph who had acted as regent during her minority. In the hope of obtaining Ulusia's inheritance for himself he incited the underground dwellers in the mines to rebellion, laying various annoyances at the door of "the woman" in the hope that the rebels would make it impossible for her to reign at Rabka. The miners having set fire to the castle, Ulusia is rescued by Jura, a giant of a man, who had lived all his previous life underground, and had only come to the surface at his supposed mother's instigation, to solve, in fact, the mystery of his birth. Many adventures awaited Ulusia and her rescuer before they are allowed to marry and live happily.

"ROBERT EMMET," A historical romance by Stephen Gwynn—(Macmillan).—The short life of Robert Emmet, the Irish Revolutionist, is so full of exciting incidents that in capable hands like Mr. Gwynn a really good story is evolved. The romance is very real and very sad. After the unsuccessful rising in Dublin, Emmet escaped to the Wicklow mountains, but returned to take leave of his affianced wife, Sarah Curran, with the result that he was captured and hanged. The poet Moore celebrated the fate of this sad couple in his famous poem "She is far from the land, where her young hero sleeps."

"THE MATHESON MONEY," by Florence Warden—(John Long.)—This is a very well-known authoress, her stories being much appreciated by the reading public. The present book is interesting. As the title suggests who shall inherit a certain fortune is the subject for the plot; it is a favourite theme with novelists, and as in many other cases, murder and mystery largely help the plot. The heroine's escape from the motor car is altogether too simple and unreal.

"A WINTER'S COMEDY," by Halliwell Sutcliffe—(Laurie)—The author has not done himself justice in this book after such stories as "Shameless Wayne" and "Priscilla of the Good Intent." "A Winter's Comedy" is weak sentimentality. The heroine's grey eyes are continually "moist with gratitude." She dislikes West Kensington, and runs away from her lover, after which she fades and droops. Still here and there we find little touches, scenery described, and subtle observations that could only be written by Mr. Sutcliffe.

MESSRS JOHN LONG have just issued a new edition of Nat Gould's popular story "The Dapple Grey."

MATHERAN MUNICIPAL REVENUES.

A Press Note issued yesterday says:—The following items of revenue (1. Groundrent, 2. Rent of bazar plots, 3. Bagait land, 4. Ground-rent of cattle-sheds, 5. Sale of plots, 6. A moiety of forest revenue,) which were formerly assigned to the Station Fund but which on the establishment of the Municipality of Matheran in 1905 were reserved by Government, have now been assigned to the Municipality, subject to the payment to Government annually of the charges incurred by the latter on account of the Superintendent's staff and of the Forest establisment and subject also to the condition that the management, administration and control of all these sources of revenue and objects of expenditure should remain with Government. The net revenue thus assigned to the Municipality will amount to about Rs. 7,500 if the average of five years preceding 1902-03 is maintained.

IT is notified that one armed Head Constable, one armed Constable and two Constables are posted as additional police in the village of Kalve in the Pen Taluka, the extra cost, amounting to Rs. 722 to be borne by the village.

ACCORDING to the "Berliner Tageblatt," Dr. Lepage, the eminent Brussels surgeon, has sent in his bill for £4,000, his fee for the operation performed on King Leopold a few days before the King's death. The operation is said to have lasted only ten minutes.

DURING the week ending 15th February, 784½ chests of opium were removed from warehouse in Bombay and 524 chests imported from Indore Of the former 778½ were shipped to China, one was purchased by the farmer at Nasik and 5 by the farmer at Poona.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending 15th February was 690, giving a death-rate of 36·69 per annum per thousand as against 37·33 the corresponding period of last year, and 52·36 the average over the past five years. Of the total number 70 died from fevers; 63, plague; 38, small-pox; 1, measles; 3, leprosy; 56, phthisis 40, diseases of the nervous system; 158, affections of the respiratory organs; 36, diarrhœa; 27, dysentery; 33, still-born; 67, old age and debility; 13, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths is as follows :—Jain, 10; Brahmin, 19; Lingast, 5; Bhattia, 8, Hindu of other caste, 326; Hindu low caste, 66; Mussalman, 181; Parsee, 29; Jew, 4; Native Christian, 30, Eurasian 3; European, 7; Negro-African, 1. The total number of births was 349 as against 376 the corresponding period of last year, and 356 the average over the past five years.

THE POLITICAL SITUATION.

ANOTHER MEETING OF THE CABINET.

Extremists' Demands.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)
LONDON, FEBRUARY 17.

The Cabinet met for two hours yesterday. The papers hint that a settlement with the Irish has not yet been effected, in spite of an inspired statement last evening that Mr. Redmond had been induced to consent to the speedy passage of the Budget by a drastic use of the closure.

It is rumoured that the extreme Radicals threaten to move an amendment to the Address, unless Mr. Asquith announces that he has secured guarantees from the King that the Veto Bill will pass the House of Lords.

The *Morning Leader* says that the crisis is not yet abated. The Nationalists insist on guarantees, and the existence of the Government depends on whether this can be satisfactorily settled before the business of Parliament begins.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S HEALTH.

Taking the Oath in the Commons.

A PAINFUL SCENE.

LONDON, FEBRUARY 16.

Mr. Chamberlain took the oath in the House of Commons to-day, painfully and with difficulty. He was extremely weak. Assisted by Lord Morpeth and Mr. Austen Chamberlain, he took his seat on the front Ministerial bench where the oath was administered. Mr. Austen Chamberlain signed the roll for his father who affixed a cross with his left hand. Mr. Chamberlain, still assisted, went to the Speaker's chair and shook hands with the Speaker, using his left hand. He left the House amid absolute silence General sympathy was felt for him.

BYE-ELECTION IN SWANSEA.

LONDON, FEBRUARY 17.

Sir D. Brynmor Jones will probably be opposed in the forthcoming bye-election in Swansea.

LORD KITCHENER.

Arrival in New Zealand.

LONDON, FEBRUARY 17.

Lord Kitchener has arrived at Wellington, where he met with an enthusiastic welcome.

THE PERSIAN LOAN.

Anglo-Russian Terms Presented.

LONDON, FEBRUARY 16.

Reuter wires from Teheran that the British and Russian Ministers have presented the Foreign Office with a joint communication, stating the conditions under which they are prepared to advance £400,000.

MAHOMEDANS IN RUSSIA.

New Mosque in St. Petersburg.

LONDON, FEBRUARY 16.

The foundation-stone of the first Mosque in St. Petersburg was laid to-day in the presence of Mahomedan dignitaries from all parts of Russia and the Emir of Bokhara, who has presented the site. The Mosque will accommodate 5,000 persons.

THE AIGUN RAILWAY.

Japanese Terms.

LONDON, FEBRUARY 17.

Reuter wires from Peking that Japan has informed China that she does not object to the building of the Chinchowfu-Aigun Railway on condition that she participates in the construction, financing and supply of material with the right to appoint Japanese engineers. Details can be arranged by discussion.

GOLD FOR INDIA.

PORT SAID, FEBRUARY 16.

The P and O s. s. "Himalaya" has shipped £150,000 of gold for Bombay.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, FEBRUARY 17.

The death is announced of Colonel Claude Reignier Conder.

[Colonel Conder, R. E., was born in 1848 and had a remarkable career in Survey work. He was in Command of Survey of Palestine, 1872-78, 1881-82; served on Headquarters Staff (Intelligence Dept.) Egypt, 1882; present at battles of Kassassin and Tel-el-Kebir; on Headquarters Staff, Bechuanaland, 1884-85; British Commissioner, Transvaal Border; Headquarters Ordnance Survey, 1887-94; under Irish Office in charge of Relief of Distress, 1895; Commanding Troops, Weymouth, till 1900; and Ordnance Survey, Ireland, till 1905. His publications are: Tent Work in Palestine, 1878; Judas Maccabaeus, 1879; Keth and Moab, 1883; Memoirs of Survey of Western Palestine, 1883; Memoirs of Survey of Eastern Palestine, 1890; Altaic Hieroglyphics, 1887; Primer of Bible Geography, 1864; Handbook to Bible, 1879; Palestine, 1891; Tel-Amarna Tablets, 1893; Bible and the East, 1896; Latin Kingdom of Jerusalem, 1897; The Hittites and their Language, 1898; The Hebrew Tragedy, 1900; The First Bible, 1903; Critics and the Law, 1907; and The Rise of Man, 1908.]

THE DISASTER AT WADAI.

Reinforcements Sent.

RELIGIOUS FANATICISM IN CENTRAL AFRICA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]
LONDON, FEBRUARY 16.

An official statement, issued in Paris, shows that of 109 Senegalese Rifles and a contingent of friendlies only eight Senegalese and a few friendlies escaped. All the Europeans were killed. Reinforcements have been hastened to Wadai to counteract the effects of the reverse.

LATER.

Dr. Karl Kumm, head of the Sudan United Mission who recently returned to England after a prolonged journey through the heart of Africa, interviewed by Reuter, said that the European conquest of pagan Africa had been everywhere closely followed up by Mahomedan emissaries and traders whose efforts were rapidly spreading Mahomedanism. "It may end," said Dr. Kumm, "in nearly the whole continent becoming Mahomedan." He dwelt on the dangers of fanaticism on such soil and urged the Christianising of pagans in Central Sudan as a most efficient bulwark. He added that French and British officials in Central Africa were realising the seriousness of the movement.

GLASGOW UNIVERSITY'S NEW RECTOR.

Protest against Lord Curzon's Tardiness.

LONDON, FEBRUARY 17.

The students of the Glasgow University hotly resent Lord Curzon's second postponement, on account of political business, of his installation as Lord Rector. A mass meeting has passed a resolution condemning the placing of political considerations before duty to the University.

LIQUID FUEL FOR THE NAVY.

Government's Trial Order.

LONDON, FEBRUARY 17.

As a result of a series of tests, Government proposes to purchase twenty thousand tons of liquid fuel for the navy from Scotch firms.

MR. ROOSEVELT IN AFRICA.

Arrival at Gondokoro.

LONDON, FEBRUARY 17.

Mr. Roosevelt has arrived at Gondokoro.

Gondokoro is a ruined village in the Sudan on the River Nile 12 miles south of Lado, which is on the extreme north-west of the Uganda Protectorate.]

DUKE OF ABRUZZI'S HIMALAYAN EXPEDITION.

Lecture at Turin.

LONDON, FEBRUARY 17.

The Duke of Abruzzi, last night, lectured at Turin before a brilliant audience on his Himalayan expedition. He showed that he reached a height of 24,583 feet on the Bride Peak which is higher than Mount Kabru.

THE KHARTOUM CATHEDRAL.

LONDON, FEBRUARY 17.

In response to the appeal for £12,000 for the Khartoum Cathedral £2,511 has been subscribed up to the present.

THE "ENGLISHMAN" LIBEL SUIT.

Judgment in Appeal Reserved.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, FEBRUARY 17.

This evening Justices Harrington and Woodroffee concluded the hearing of the appeal in the *Englishman* Libel suit against the decision of Mr. Justice Fletcher awarding Rs. 15,000 damages to Lajpat Rai. The Advocate-General, replying, said that there was no libel and, even if there was any, damage should not exceed one rupee considering the political reputation of the plaintiff. Their Lordships reserved judgment.

PRESENTATION TO LADY MINTO.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, FEBRUARY 17.

It is proposed to call a meeting of ladies with a view to the discussion a project for making a presentation to Lady Minto before her departure from India. The meeting will be held on Friday. The notification of the meeting is signed by Lady Jenkins and Lady Sutherland.

HON'BLE MR. GUPTA IN MADRAS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
MADRAS, FEBRUARY 17.

Leading members of the Indian community gave a Garden Party yesterday evening in honour of Mr. K. G. Gupta at Tawker's Gardens. Accompanied by Dr. Nair, the guest of the evening was met on arrival by distinguished members and was then introduced. Dewan Bahadur K. Krishnasamy Rao garlanded Mr. Gupta who thanked all for their reception. He visited the Cosmopolitan Club and had tea and is a guest at Government House.

PATIENTS AT THE COONOOR PASTEUR INSTITUTE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
MADRAS, FEBRUARY 17.

A Conoor correspondent writes that patients continue to come up for treatment to the Pasteur Institute in increasing numbers, the latest being the young Chief of Miraj from the Bombay Presidency. The French Government at Pondicherry has given a donation of Rs. 300 to the Institute.

MUSSOORIE MURDER CASE.

Further Evidence.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
ALLAHABAD, FEBRUARY 10.

In to-day's proceedings Mr. and Mrs Ling were summoned for cross-examination. Mr. Ling said, Allen never lent him any money and that he never suggested to accused to board with him to work off a debt of Rs. 150. He said that he was with accused in Mussoorie in June last. His parents are alive and he has 26 brothers and sisters and that his brothers are working as civilians. He never said to anybody that he had a brother who was a Major in the Army. Asked about the letter which he wrote to Miss Newman to whom Allen was engaged on 17th June last in which Mr. Ling wrote Major Ling, C. B., was his brother. Witness admitted that it was a tissue of lies and said that he wrote it at Allen's dictation and that Allen was present in the room when the letter was written. He said that he knew nothing of Allen's private affairs, that he knew nothing of his family, neither of this savings. Witness said that he never knew that accused belonged to a Temperance Society. He said that he had some difficulty to get his discharge and that he got out of the situation by his wife borrowing through Revillian Clark on an interest of 50 per cent. Asked whether witness was ever in Calcutta he admitted being there on 16th September 1908, but said that he did not get into trouble there. Further questioned, he admitted that he knew a woman by the name of Nahabit who had a daughter. He said that he knew that there was a firm in Calcutta by the name of Leslie and Hinds and that they sent him a letter in connection with the Nahabit family. One letter was sent to the Officer Commanding and another to him with the result that he was recalled to Allahabad. He said that Allen received no money to his knowledge at the time of his wedding. He said that he saw accused received a money-order once and only once, and said that he did not see accused receiving a money order, but that he (Allen) told him that he had received a money order.

Mrs. Ling in cross-examination said that the arrangement that Allen should pay Rs. 50 for his board was made between her husband and accused and that it was known to her that Allen would pay Rs. 50 a month. Her husband made out the bill, Allen went out with her husband at 2 o'clock to the Post Office and when they returned her husband gave her Rs. 40; the bill for July was for Rs. 59 and when accused left Mussoorie he owed them Rs. 64, Rs. 50 for boarding for August, Rs. 9 balance of last month and Rs. 5 for cigarettes etc. She said that Allen was scratched by a two months' old puppy about the end of August, but the scratch did not cauterise. She remembered having heard prisoner say that he would send Rs. 300 to the Simla Alliance Bank to be sent home.

Bachkee Mull, tailor, recalled, said that before he made other suits for accused Allen purchased a pair of Jodhpur breeches from him for Rs. 9. He identified Allen. Witness said that he did not know English. He said that he gave accused three other suits on the security of Taylor and accused proposed to give him his (Allen's) watch as he had no money with him, but witness declined to accept the watch.

Taylor examined said that he was the Director of the Soldiers' Home, but he was not in the Army. He remembered Allen staying at the Home and he stayed there for five or six weeks and that was in June. Allen when leaving paid all his dues. He said that he knew Bachkee Mull who came to him with Allen. Cross-examined he said that Bachkee Mull was speaking broken English. He said that he remembered that Allen told him that he (Allen) had no suit for the wedding. Witness said that he did not know that accused had any money transactions with Perrot of the Garrison Artillery.

Perrot said that he did not know Allen before. He met accused at the Soldiers' Home. He said that he gave accused a dozen of cigars and Rupees 4 in cash and that Allen said that he would pay him (Perrot) after two or three weeks on receipt of his pay. Cross-examined he said that he had never been to Burma.

Corporal Simpkins examined said that he was a Corporal of the Sussex Regiment. He said that he knew Clapp and made his acquaintance three years before. Deceased lived a quiet life and was very frugal in his habits. On the first occasion Clapp lent him Rs. 30 which he repaid. He borrowed Rs. 100 from deceased again to pay his house rent and the amount was repaid to deceased on 4th August 1909. He knew that deceased kept his notes in his cigarette case and sovereigns in the purse. He said he did not know prisoner personally, but that he knew him by sight. He saw him (Allen) in the Telegraph office and only in the Telegraph office. He never met prisoner in Clapp's room. He did not know that deceased shared his room with prisoner. He had been in Clapp's room in June. Cross-examined Simpkins said he knew that Clapp invested his money in shares in 1907 and 1908 and that he showed him (witness) the share certificates he held. He did not see notes and sovereigns when he borrowed Rs. 30 from deceased in March last. He said that he did never see any body live with Clapp and that he (Clapp) had Rs. 600. Deceased showed him 20 sovereigns and notes.

John Francis Terry, Telegraph Master at Mussoorie, deposed that he knew Clapp intimately and he last saw deceased come to his office on 10th August at about 7·45 p. m. and after some conversation in the porch he (witness) offered to keep Clapp's money in the office safe and give him a receipt for the amount. Deceased said that he carried his money on his person and that it was all right. He took a roll of notes which appeared to witness to total to Rs. 700. Cross-examined he said that he knew deceased intimately, but he knew nothing of his private affairs. He saw only notes and no sovereigns. He knew that Allen lived with deceased. He said that he saw accused with a private or corporal of the 17th Lancers near Kurree Bazaar between 4-30 and 5 p.m. a day before Clapp's murder was discovered. The other soldier was Savage, and was known to him personally. At this stage the Court rose and the case was adjourned till to-morrow.

THE INDIAN BUDGET.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, FEBRUARY 17.

On the 25th instant, Sir George Fleetwood Wilson will make a long speech in introducing the Budget. This will be an entirely new feature and many improvements have been made in the statement itself.

THE Financial Statement for 1910-11 will be discussed between 4th and 9th March. The Budget will be finally presented to the Imperial Legislative Council on Wednesday the 23rd March and discussed on Tuesday the 29th March.

THE SITUATION IN TIBET.

China's Intentions.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
ALLAHABAD, FEBRUARY 17.

The *Pioneer* has the following on the situation in Tibet:—"The avowed policy of China is to reduce Tibet to the level of an ordinary outlying province, and in order to secure this the strength of the Chinese garrison has been steadily increased in the last three or four years. A small army seems to have marched in from Szechuan and taken the route to Lhassa via Chhamdo north of Batang. Discipline is not a saving virtue of Chinese troops under any conditions and this particular force has levied contributions upon the Lamasan people in rather a brutal fashion. Monasteries have not been respected and the Lamas have bitterly resented desecration of their holy places. The latest news is that the garrison has been reinforced by 2,000 Chinese troops, the number hitherto maintained there having been only 400 or 500. The Tibetan Council will probably be called upon to abdicate its functions and the administration will then become purely Chinese. Neither the Dalai Lama nor the Tasi Lama can check this change and any successful popular revolt seems out of question as the Tibetans have no leader."

THE CRIMES ACT IN OPERATION.

Question of Jurisdiction.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, FEBRUARY 17.

The question of the jurisdiction of Sessions Judges in cases under the Crimes Act was discussed yesterday evening before Mr. Delivigne, the Sessions Judge of Hooghly, when an application for bail on behalf of Lalit Kumar Chatterjee, Pleader of Krishnagar, and three others came up for hearing. The accused were at first arrested in connection with the murder of Sham-ul-Alum but were discharged. Subsequently they were charged before the Magistrate of Howrah with being members of a gang of political dacoits. The bail application was made sometime ago, but the hearing had to be adjourned pending the arrival of records from Howrah. Mr. Forest, the Magistrate of Howrah, in the meantime had taken cognisance of the case on Saturday last under the New Crimes Act and had written to the Sessions Judge of Hooghly refusing to send the records on the ground that the latter had no jurisdiction. Then followed a lengthy discussion as to the question of jurisdiction between the legal representatives, after which the Judge remarked that Mr. Forrest has entirely misunderstood the position and practically taken upon himself the task of deciding whether the Sessions Court had jurisdiction. The Magistrate's refusal to send the records was unusual. At this stage the Crown applied for an adjournment to enable the Advocate-General to appear and the case was adjourned.

GROUNDNUT CROP IN MADRAS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
MADRAS, FEBRUARY 17.

The total area under ground-nut in Ryotwari villages up to the end of last month is 632,000 acres, or about 11 per cent less than the area sown in the corresponding period of 1909. It exceeds the averages of five and ten years by about 18 and 34 per cent. respectively. The decrease, as compared with 1909, is marked in South and North Arcot and Coimbatore, and is attributed to want of rain, the condition of crop is reported to be fair, and is expected to give 67 per cent of the normal yield. The total area of groundnut sown in villages other than Ryotwari is about 46,500 acres, or about four times that sown during the period ending December, 1908.

BOYCOTT RIOT IN BENGAL COLLEGE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, FEBRUARY 17.

The Alipore police were informed yesterday that a riot of a serious character had occurred on the morning of the 15th instant at Sonapore. It is alleged that the shop of one in the village was boycotted by the majority of the villagers. In spite of this boycott a man named Kali Charan Mandal used to deal with the shopkeeper. On the day of the occurrence he went to Kali Charan's house to collect his dues, villagers, numbering about a hundred, fell upon the man and his customer and mercilessly belaboured them with lathies. On seeing this the son and nephew of Kali Charan came to the rescue, but were also attacked. The four wounded men were yesterday admitted to hospital, where their condition is described as precarious.

ATTEMPT ON SIR L. HARE'S LIFE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, FEBRUARY 17.

The man, Guha who was arrested at Alipore on suspicion of making an attempting on the life of Sir Lancelot Hare during the latter's visit to that place, has been bound over for one year in two sureties of Rs. 1,000 each.

THE BISTOPORE DACOITY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, FEBRUARY 17.

In connection with the recent Bistopore dacoity the police have arrested a man who is said to have confessed to committing the dacoity with the help of Calcutta youths. He is said to have given up cash and jewellery, his share of booty. The police are trying to track the Calcutta gang.

BENGAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, FEBRUARY 17.

The New Committee of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce include Mr. Dowding (Messrs Turner Morrison and Co.) President, Hon. Mr. J. C. Shorrock, (Messrs George Henderson and Co.) Vice-President, Messrs. W. A. Dring, A. M. Monteath, H. Marris, M. A. Mitarange, C. L. Pyffe, W. E. Crum and F. H. Stewart, Members.

THE BENGAL DACOITIES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, FEBRUARY 17.

The District Magistrate of Alipore has refused the bail application made on behalf of Bhupendra Nath Banerjee, son of a respectable zemindar and pleader of Dimond Harbour, who was arrested in connection with the Netra dacoity.

THE CASE AGAINST PARMA NAND.

Alleged Seditious Books.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
LAHORE, FEBRUARY 17.

The case against Bhai Parma Nand, M. A., under the Security Section, came off to-day, before Mr. Harrison, Special Magistrate.

Abdur Rahman Khan, Sub-Inspector of Police, deposed that he searched the house of Parma Nand on 12th January. The witness identified a couple of fresh letters, filed in the case, as found in the search. The case was adjourned to the 31st instant, when the defence will file a list of defence witnesses.

Mr. Petman, Government Advocate, then argued, the case against Lal Chand Falak and Kishen Singh and took up "Bagi Musih" (Christ the rebel) as, the first of a series of alleged seditious books sold by accused. The book was based upon an interview between Colonel Parsons, then Deputy Commissioner of Lahore, and Ajit Singh which appeared in the *Indusran* newspaper. Ajit Singh is compared to Christ who is depicted as a political leader and who consequently was crucified The comparison is also made in the book between Judean Government and the present British Government. The object of his book, the Government Advocate said was to excite contempt against the British Government and to spread discontent. The author of the book is Amba Parshad Safi who is at large along with Ajit Singh. The Government Advocate then took up for argument another book, "Desi Fanj Zaffar Manj," (Ever Victorious Indian Army,) written by Sawaran Singh, brother of Ajit Singh and sold by Kishen Sing. The object of the book, Petman said, was to rouse the Indian troops against British soldiers who are depicted in very bad colours. The book also alluded to an alleged differential treatment meted out to Indian troops as compared with British soldiers which is not based on facts. Mr Petman referred to the India Sedition case and to the 10th Jate.

Lalchand Falak who was permitted to inspect the file in order to prepare his defence filed a copy-book purported to have been a list of books sold which the prosecution alleged to be a forged document prepared by accused while busy inspecting the file and exhibits.

SIR JOHN AND LADY HEWETT.

Opening New Institutions.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
LUCKNOW, FEBRUARY 17.

Sir John and Lady Hewett motored to Barabanki yesterday to formally open the Hewett Weaving School and the Lady Hewett Zenana School. The little town was tastefully decorated in honour of the third visit of His Honour. Under a shamiana put up before the school house an address was presented to the guests detailing the history of the school established some three years ago and having weaving hosiery and carpet departments. The District Board has spent Rs. 19,000, the Taluqdars over Rs. 12,000, and Government Rs. 11,000 up-to-date on the institution. Old boys had also come with their looms to show how they were going on with the knowledge learnt. Hindu and Mahomedan boarding houses for both males and females had been constructed. 300 pupils had been instructed in the school in about three years.

In reply Sir John Hewett praised the philanthropy of the Taluqdars and the devotion to the cause of the school of Mr. Sherring, Deputy Commissioner, to whose inspiration the school owes its birth and to whose active sympathy its progress. His Honour took advantage of this occasion to bear testimony to the reclamation work which the Salvation Army were doing among the criminal tribes in these provinces.

Lady Hewett was presented a separate address at the Zenana School. In reply she suggested the sending of trained teachers to Zenanas of Indian ladies to teach them needlework and other arts and requested exhibits to be sent to the coming Allahabad Exhibition. An evening party was held and a municipal address presented after the opening ceremony.

THE U. P. PROVINCIAL CONFERENCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
ALLAHABAD, FEBRUARY 17.

The election of a President for the ensuing United Provinces Conference to be held at Benares during the Easter holiday presented certain difficulties as the Committees appointed to consider the question could not come to a decision and put forward and recommended different names for the presidentship To solve this question the matter was referred to the Provincial Congress Committee and at yesterday's meeting Hafiz Abdul Rahim was unanimously elected President.

THE BOMBAY-SIND RAILWAY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
ALLAHABAD FEBRUARY 17.

There is, it is understood, no prospect of the Bombay-Sind connection railway being undertaken as a northern route through the Rann of Cutch as it presents serious difficulties owing to the scarcity of fresh waters.

BUDH GAYA TEMPLE DISPUTE.

Dharampal's Appeal.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCULTA, FEBRUARY 17.

Justices Harrington and Chatterjee to-day took up the appeal to the Budh Gaya Temple case. In this appeal the whole Buddhistic community is interested and relates to the dispute over the Burmese Rest-House at Budh Gaya where Dharampal in 1896 installed a Japanese image and which led to a criminal case between Dharampal and the Hindu Mohunt there. The present appeal was an offshoot of the civil case of that dispute. The Hindu Mohunt brought a suit asking for a declaration that the Rest-House was his sole property. The Bengal Government in 1896 ordered the Rest-House to remain open for Buddhist pilgrims. The suit was originally filed before the Subordinate Judge of Gaya, and Thebaw, the ex-King of Burma, was examined on commission. The Lower Court decreed the suit in favour of the Mohunt; hence the appeal by Dharampal. The case is proceeding.

RAI BAHADUR GANGA RAM, C.I.E., Executive Engineer, Patiala State, has proposed a scheme for improving the "Punjabee" newspaper and has offered to subscribe Rs. 5,000, followed by another donation of Rs. 5,000 to the "Punjabee" if his scheme was accepted.

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.

The Justices' Election.

A MEETING of the Justices of the Peace was held yesterday afternoon at 1-40 o'clock to elect 16 representatives to the Municipal Corporation. The Justices met in the Municipal Council Chamber and on the motion of Mr. James Macdonald, Dr. Turner, the Executive Health Officer, was called to the chair.

The usual resolutions fixing the time for receiving voting papers and appointing scrutineers for counting the votes having been carried, Mr. Dinshah Bomonji Pestonji Master produced a circular which ran as follows:—

"Important notice. Municipal Election by the Justices of the Peace. As a Justice of the Peace, you are entitled to give 16 votes, but you cannot give more than one vote to each candidate. Beware of the Caucus. The Caucus is alive and kicking. List of candidates:—Independent: The Hon'ble Sir Pherozeshah, Mr. S. M. Edwardes, Sir Dinshah M. Petit, Lieut-Col. A. M. T. Collie, Mr. Jehangeer B. Petit, Dr. A. G. Viegas, Dr. N. N. Katrak, Dr. Rajabali V. Patel and Mr. Jugmohandas Varjivandas. Caucus Candidates:—The Hon'ble Mr. Herbert Rufus Greaves, Dr. D. M. Silva, Mr. Haji Yusuf Haji Ismail, Dr. Ratanshah T. Nariman, Mr. Gulam Hosen Karimbhai Ebrahim, Mr. Jamsetji Ardesher Wadia, Mr. James Macdonald, Mr. Kavasji Jehangir Readymoney, Mr. Narayen Vishvanath Mandlik, Mr. Pherozc Khurshji Setna, Mr. Mahomedbhai Lalji, Dr. Dinanath Balkrishna Naik Dandekar, Mr. Jehangir Rattanji Dubash, Khan Sahib Sheikh Ibrahim Hafiz, Mr. Dhanjibhai Bomanji Petit, Mr. Vasudeo Anandrao Dabulkar.

The best way of defeating the Caucus is to vote only for the Independent candidates and destroy the remainder of your votes."

Dr. Master was going to make some observations with regard to this circular, when Sir Pherozeshah interposed and said that it did not form part of the business before the meeting and it would not be brought before them.

Mr. Kavasji Redymoney raised a point of order.

The Chairman ruled Dr. Master out of order and the matter dropped.

Sir Sankchandra Krishna next said that a question was raised as to whether the representatives of the Press should be allowed admission to the meeting and it would be better to decide the point.

Sir Pherozeshah Mehta said that there was no objection to the representatives of the Press being admitted. They had been allowed on all previous occasions and there was no reason to keep them out.

Mr Wacha: Unless they influence the election (Laughter).

It was ultimately decided that the representatives of the Press should be allowed to go into the Hall.

Mr. Readymoney remarked that the question was not raised with regard to the recognised representatives of the Press.

The business of the meeting was then proceeded with and Justices began taking seats at the desks provided in the Hall and on the southern and western verandahs and filling in the voting lists which were handed over to the Chairman, the latter putting them in the ballot-box. The polling was not so large as on the last occasion, and the Hall was not much crowded, as it was decided not to allow people other than those entitled to vote, to enter the polling place.

The following gentlemen were appointed scrutineers: Messrs. W. E. Wase, B. D. Banaji, N. Maughan, R. P. Masani, Dr. B. K. Goldsmith, S. B. Master, A. W Sheete, L. W. Michael, P. P. Waugh and R. Ramrao.

There are about 550 Justices of the Peace in Bombay and each Justice may vote for sixteen of the gentlemen nominated. The nominations closed last Thursday when altogether twenty-five gentlemen were duly nominated for the sixteen vacancies. They are as follow:—

1 Mr S M Edwardes
2 Lt-Col A M T Collie
3 The Hon Mr Herbert Greaves
4 Mr James MacDonald
5 Sir Dinshaw M Petit
6 The Hon Sir Pherozeshah M Mehta
7 Mr Cowasji Jehangir Readymoney
8 Mr Pherozc C Setna
9 Mr Mahomed Hajibhoy Lalji
10 Mr N V Mandlik
11 Mr Jugmohandas Varjivandas
12 Mr Jamsetji Ardesher Wadia
13 Dr N N Katrak
14 Mr Haji Yusuf Haji Ismail
15 Dr Ruttanshaw Temulji Nariman
16 Mr Gulamhussein Currimbhoy
17 Dr A G Viegas
18 Dr D B Dandekar
19 Mr Jehangir Ratanji Dubash
20 Mr Jehangir Bomanji Petit
21 Mr Dhanjibhoy Bomanji Petit
22 Khan Saheb Ibrahim Hafiz
23 Mr Vasantrao A Dabulkar
24 Dr D N D'Silva
25 Dr Rajabali Visram Patel.

Among these candidates the following 13 are members of the Corporation: Mr. S. M. Edwardes, Lt.-Col. Collie, Mr. James Macdonald, Sir Dinshaw Petit, Sir Pherozeshah M. Mehta, Mr. Cowasji Jehangir Readymoney, Mr. Pherozc C. Setna, Mr. Mahomed Hajibhoy Lalji, Mr. N. V. Mandlik, Mr. J. A. Wadia, Mr. Haji Yusuf Haji Ismail, Dr. R. T. Nariman and Mr. Jehangir Bomanji Petit, Mr. McBain, who was at the last election returned by the Justices of the Peace, has been elected by the Fort Ward. Of the sixteen members elected by the Justices last year Mr. F. C. Harrison has left Bombay and Mr. Hatch is at present on leave and does not seek re-election Mr. S. M. Edwardes takes the place of Mr. Gell, and Mr. Jehangir Bomanjee Petit is at present a representative of the Girgaum Ward. Dr. Dandekar was a representative of the Mandvi, Ward, while Dr. Nariman was returned by the Fort Ward at a bye-election. Dr. N. N. Katrak, Dr. A. J. Viegas and Mr. Jagmohandas Varjivandas were members of the old Corporation but they were thrown out at the last election. Mr. Vasantrao A Dabulkar, Mr. Gulam Hoosein Currimbhoy, Mr. Jehangir Dubash, Mr. Dhanjibhoy S. Petit, Dr. D'Silva and Mr. Rajabali Visram Patel and Khan Saheb Ibrahim Hafiz are nominated for the first time. Mr. Farulbhoy Chinoy does not seek re-election, but his place is taken by Mr. Haji Yusuf who is at present a representative of the Mandvi Ward.

The following circular was issued by Messrs. James MacDonald and H. R. Greaves:—

"Having had many enquiries from Justices as to whom they should give their votes at the Election on Thursday, we are venturing to suggest the following as fair representatives of the different communities:—Sir P. M. Mehta, Sir Dinshaw Petit, Bart; Messrs. J. A. Wadia, Cowasjee Jehangir, Pherozc C. Setna, Dr. R. T. Nariman, Dr. De Silva, N. V. Mandlic, Vasuntrao Dabholkar, Dr. D. B. Naik Dandekar, Hajee Yoosuff Hajee Esmail Sobani, Ahmedbhoy Hajibhoy Lalji, Gulam Hoosein Currimbhoy Ebrahim, James Mcdonald, S. M. Edwardes, and H. R. Greaves."

At 6 o'clock in the evening the appointed hour for closing the ballot box, the Chairman announced that the polling was closed and the box was locked, sealed and passed on to the scrutineers.

The work of scrutiny was at once commenced and it is expected the results of the ballot will be announced by the Municipal Commissioner this afternoon. It is however believed that Mr. S. M. Edwardes, the Hon'ble Sir Pherozeshah Mehta and Sir Dinshaw Petit have secured the largest number of votes. Messrs. Cowasji Jehangir, N. V. Mandlik Pherozc Setna and Gulam Hussen Currimbhoy are also regarded as certainties. Of the other candidates nothing definite can be said at present. The results will be officially declared to-day.

COTTON CROP REPORT.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)
CALCUTTA, FEBRUARY 17.

The general memorandum on the cotton crop of the season 1909-10:—The total area in all territories reported on is now computed at 20,227,000 acres which marks a net increase of 228 000 acres or one per cent. on the 19,999,000 acres recorded at this time last year. The total estimated outturn is 4,502,000 bales of 400 lbs. as against 3,691,000 bales estimated last year, representing an increase of 811,000 bales or 22 per cent. To this figure might be added some 24,300 bales consisting of 18,000 bales estimated as the production of Bombay tracts from which returns are not received. 800 bales from Bengal Native States also make no returns and conjectural 5,500 bales are founded on the usual outturn from Dholpur State whose report has not come to hand.

HIS HIGHNESS the Aga Khan has granted a sum of Rs. 500 annually to the Darululoom Nadwatul-Ulems, Lucknow.

WELL OWNERS AND THE MALARIA CAMPAIGN.

THE following correspondence has recently passed in relation to the orders of the Municipality for the closing of wells in connection with the Campaign against Malaria. Mr. Burjorjee Nowrojee Mistry wrote from 108 Kawasji Patel Street at on Feb. 2nd:

No. 108 Kawasji Patel Street, Fort, Bombay,
February 2nd, 1910.

To the Health Officer, Bombay Municipality.

Sir,—I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter, dated the 28th ultimo, bearing No. 38528 of 1909-10, but delivered to me yesterday, and in reply to state that I am surprised at the contents thereof. The well in question is always kept clean and time after time potash permanganate is put in, and at no time it has been found to contain any dangerous impurity nor mosquito larvæ, or other dangerous germs as referred to in your letter. In the absence of proof to the contrary, therefore, I cannot but regard your statement as opposed to truth, pure and simple. Without prejudice to this contention, however, I say that I and the other tenants of my house are using the water of the well for purposes of religious ceremonies only. In accordance with our usage of time immemorial and our religious enjoinments we are bound to use well-water for sacred purposes as religious purposes and further it is incumbent upon us by our religion to keep the water constantly exposed to the direct rays of the sun, which you will admit, is in a sanitary point of view essentially necessary and desirable. In the circumstances, I trust that you will see your way not to interfere with the religious sentiments of myself and my tenants and to withdraw your notice. Please put this letter before the Standing Committee when you approach it for its sanction as I shall have to take such action as I am advised, in case you carry out the requisition of your notice against our religious sentiments and enjoinments.

(Sd.) BURJORJEE NOWROJEE MISTRY.

On the same day Mr. Mistry sent the following letter to the Chairman and Members, Standing Committee.

Sirs,—I have the honour to forward herewith copy of correspondence that passed between the Municipal Health Officer and myself for favour of consideration by you, when the Municipal Health Officer or the Commissioner approaches you for your sanction in this matter. It is very regrettable that the Municipality intends to take such action as seriously wounds the religious feelings of the public. You may be aware that all communities, viz., Hindoos, Mahomedans, and Parsees have tanks, wells, "hojs" (large collections of water) etc., in their religious places of worship for ablution before commencing prayers and other religious purposes, and if the Municipality were to enforce their hobby, there will perhaps arise a serious difficulty from other communities, if not from the Parsees who are always law-abiding.

In reply to the first letter the Deputy Health Officer, A Ward, wrote:—

Sir,—With reference to your letter of the 2nd instant, addressed to the Health Officer, re: filling in or hermetically covering the well at your premises No. 106-108 Cawasji Patel Street, I have the honour to inform you that the requisition made in Health Officer's No. 38528 of 28-1-10 cannot be withdrawn.

All that this Department requires is to provide a cover that would absolutely prevent the entrance of mosquito into the well, and the cover should either be cemented or screwed down, and the margin all round and any crevices should be filled in with cement. A hand pump may be provided if the water is to be used, as no opening or lid would be allowed in the cover. It is not intended to prevent the use of water.

If nothing is done within seven days from the receipt of this letter, the sanction of the Standing Committee will be applied for to proceed against you. It is therefore open to you to make your representation to the Standing Committee as you think fit.

Mr. Mistry then replied to the Health Officer:—

Sir,—I am in receipt of your Deputy Health Officer's letter, dated the 7th instant, but delivered to me on the morning of the 9th idem. I regret to say that it seems to have been written in forgetfulness of the contents of my previous letter to you. I repeat what I have already pointed out in my said letter, and contend that never any time, either mosquito larvæ or any impure things have been found in the water of the well of my house. How far this statement is true, uncoloured and free from any exaggeration, will be apparent from the fact that for the last 15 years not a case of malaria has fortunately by the grace of God, coupled with my endeavours to keep every thing pure in the house, visited my premises and when in your first notice you talked of Malaria larvæ having been found in my house I could hardly believe it. Your statement was utterly unfounded and was, I submit, not made without any previous investigation, but was contrary to existing facts, pure and simple. Besides as already stated in my said letter, the water of the well is utilised for religious and sacred purposes only, and surely you will admit that any attempt at wounding the religious feelings of the most law-abiding community of His Majesty the King-Emperor, will amount to nothing less than an unmitigated breach of the most fundamental and rational principle, which is regarded by the British Government for a long time past, and which has substantially became the birth-right of the Indian people, viz., "Freedom of Observance of Religion." Let me repeat that this arbitrary acts of yours will be the most undesirable means of materially interfering with our religious doctrines, which teach us and which enjoin us to have the well-water exposed to the direct rays of the sun. Notwithstanding our religious scruples you are not only requiring me to cover the well, but to provide it with a pump, which will not be of any use to us for religious purposes, which latter require us to draw the water in a clean vessel and without being touched by any but a Parsi. In these circumstances, I have once more to request you to kindly give your most careful consideration to my request and not to force upon me anything which is repugnant to our religion. As suggested in your Deputy Health Officer's said letter, I am communicating with both the Standing Committee and Municipal Corporation and I have to request you not to take any further action pending the decision at the hands of these superior Bodies in this matter.

TAXI-CABS STANDS.

The following is the list of stands for taxi-cabs published in the current "Bombay Government Gazette." The numbers indicate the number of taxis allowed in each stand. Opposite Artillery Sergeants' Mess 4; Colaba Station from first Hydrant to third Hydrant 6; Taj Mahal Hotel between Green's and Taj 24; Cooperage Road Corner (Lamp No. 3883) 4; Opposite

WILSON HIGH SCHOOL.

Annual Distribution of Prizes.

The annual prize-distribution to the successful students of the Wilson High School took place yesterday, in the Hall of the School, Bombay, in the presence of a large number of ladies and gentlemen. The Rev. Dr. Mackichan presided.

An interesting programme of songs and dialogues was gone through by the pupils.

THE REPORT.

In the report for the year 1909, which was read by the Rev. J. R. Cuthbert, Principal, it was stated that during the year the number of boys attending the school continued to increase. At present the number on the roll was 521, the largest number in recent years. The necessity for putting a definite limit to the number attending each class was becoming increasingly apparent. The standard of work obtained throughout the year had been fairly high. In the Matriculation and the School Final examinations the number of successful students was 14 and 6 respectively. In the Drawing examinations of the School of Art, 11 passed in the third, 13 in the second and 27 in the first grade—an excellent result. The candidate who appeared for the teachers' examination in drawing was successful. Of the two Government scholarships open to boys of the backward classes in Bombay, one was won by a pupil of the school, and the scholarship open to Maratha students was won also by a pupil of this school. The Inspector in his report on the school declared that the conduct and discipline of the school was found to be satisfactory. He reviewed the work of each class with varying comments and pronounced the work to be on the whole satisfactory and added that he was glad to see that attention was given also to cricket and physical drill. The only important change that was made last year in the curriculum was the omission of Latin. The teaching of this language had to be discontinued as there were scarcely any pupils who wished to study it. Those who did not take Sanscrit or Persian seemed to prefer French. In connection with this it might be noted that there was a tendency for the number of boys, who did not speak the vernacular taught in the school, to decrease. The hostel for Christian boys in connection with the school had been well filled throughout the year.

Mrs. Mackichan then gave away the prizes.

THE CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

The Chairman addressing the meeting said they all heartily congratulated the Rev. Mr. Cuthbert on the excellent report he had submitted there that afternoon. As one who had known this school longer than any of those present there, it gave him (the Chairman) great pleasure to see how this institution had grown and developed under the kindly and firm management of Mr. Cuthbert. It was interesting to note that the attendance of students had outgrown the dimensions of the classroom. This was a chronic condition of the school. About twenty years ago both the Wilson High School and the Wilson College were accommodated in a part of this building, which then had no third storey. Since then not only had the College had to be removed to another building but the present building had to be entirely devoted to the school and besides that an additional storey had to be put up. This was an indication of the rapid growth of these institutions and was gratifying as showing the public appreciation of them. He asked the students to remember that this was one of the oldest High Schools in the City and that when they left it for the wider life of world they did so with the hall-mark of the institution. For to be called a Wilsonian meant something nowadays in this country. The influence of a school depended on the relations that existed between teachers and pupils; and the pupils of this school left it with a certain impress which had come to them through their contact with their teachers. The former had come to regard the latter as their friends whose advice and help were always at their disposal. This healthy condition of relationship between pupils and teachers was essential to the success of every school. A good deal of discussion had lately been going on in the Bombay University Senate about the unfortunate results of higher education. It seemed that the authorities had come to feel that some religious or ethical education was absolutely necessary in the curriculum, or else the results would in the future be much bigger failures than at present. Nobody doubted the soundness of the proposition that religious or ethical education was necessary; but he did not think that the education given in the past had been a failure or that the things which the people deplored could be laid to its charge. He had come in contact with Indian students for a large number of years and he could say as a result of his fairly large experience of these students that he saw no substantial alteration in their character and their attitude towards their teachers. He found in the students of the present day the same attractive qualities that he had done in those of thirty years ago. The Chairman then referred to the sustained efforts made by the teachers of the Wilson College and High School to guide the pupils into paths of virtue and godliness and the homogeneity of the work of the two institutions. He next congratulated the School on the excellent results it had attained, especially in drawing. One great feature of the school was that every teacher personally knew every student of his class, and mutual confidence existed between the two. Addressing especially the school children he would say that in the life of a young man there was nothing more inspiring than the school days. It was an unfortunate fact that the children did not appreciate the many splendid opportunities that their school days prescated to them. He however hoped none of those whom he was addressing would look upon their school work as drudgery, for he believed there was no subject which could not be made interesting and attractive to them if they had she right-teaching. Even mathematics could be made an interesting and attractive subject. He concluded by congratulating the teachers and the pupils on the successful results of the past year.

On the motion of Rev. Karmarker, a hearty vote of thanks was recorded to the Chairman and Mrs. Mackichan; the proceedings then terminated.

FOREIGN CABLE COMMUNICATION.

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION

Great Britain.	Continent of Europe.	America.	Australia.	China.	Africa.
Via Theran Perfect.	Via Teheran Perfect.	Via Brest Perfect	Via Penang Perfect.	Via Penang Perfect.	Via Aden Perfect
Via Turkey Interrupted.	Via Turkey Interrupted.	Via Valentia Perfect.	Via Amoor Perfect.	Via Amoor Perfect.	Via Oadis Teneriffe Perfect
Via Suez Perfect.	Via Suez Perfect.	Via Direct Cable Perfect.	.....	Via Bhamo Perfect.	Via Lisbon St. Vincent Perfect.

Latest dates of Foreign Messages received at Bombay from the United Kingdom during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m. of the 17th February 1910.
(Difference in Longitude allowed for.)

Via	Latest Dates. D.	H.	M.	Time Occupied in Transmission Hrs.	Mts
Turkey ...	...	...	.....	...	...
Teheran ...	17	12	0 p.m.	2	25
Suez	17	2	20 p.m.	0	35

NOTICES.

Cable Aden Perim interrupted. Telegrams for Erythrea and Abyssinia are forwarded via Suakim, Kamaran without additional charge (19-11-09).

Communication with Persian offices Ahwaz and Mohammerah interrupted. Telegrams being posted from Borazjoon (11-11-09.)

Turkish Route interrupted (12-2-10).

THE BOMBAY SERVICES.

The Governor in Council is pleased to confer the following appointments made by the Hon'ble the Chief Justice of His Majesty's High Court of Judicature, of Bombay, consequent upon the appointment of the Hon'ble Mr. N. C. MacLeod, Barrister-at-Law, Official Assignee, Bombay, to act as a Judge of His Majesty's High Court of Judicature at Bombay vice the Hon'ble Mr Justice L. P. Russell on leave, or pending further orders :—Mr. Rustamji Dnanjibhai Setalvad, B.A., LL.B., Barrister-at-Law, Master and Registrar in Equity and Commissioner for taking Accounts and Taxing Officer of the High Court, to act as Official Assignee, Bombay; Mr Abdeali Munammad Ali Kajiji, B. A., LL.B., Barrister-at-Law, Head Assistant to the Prothonotary and Registrar, Original Jurisdiction, and Commissioner for taking Affidavits, to act as Master and Registrar in Equity Commissioner for taking Accounts and Taxing Officer; Mr Phirozshah Behramji Malabari, Barrister-a-Law, Deputy Registrar and Sealer of the High Court, Appellate Side, to act Head Assistant to the Prothonotary and Registrar, Original Jurisdiction, and Commissioner for taking Affidavits.

Mr. W. T. W. Baker, I.C.S., Acting Judge and Sessions Judge, Thana, is granted privilege leave for three months from the 3rd June with permission to prefix the summer vacation to it.

Lieutenant E. H. Staples 122nd Rajputana Infantry, to officiate as Cantonment Magistrate, Bhuj, in addition to his military duties, vice Lieutenant W. H. A. Lloyd proceeding on leave, and to exercise the powers of a Small Cause Court Judge as described in the Provincial Small Cause Court Act, 1887, within the limits of the Military Cantonment of Bhuj.

Mr. M. S. Gabbay, I. C. S., is allowed such privilege leave as may be due to him on the date on which his services are replaced at the disposal of the Government of Bombay, in combination with furlough on medical certificate for such period as will bring the combined period of absence up to nine months.

Mr. M. D. Mackenzie has been allowed an extension of furlough on medical certificate for six months.

Mr. R. A. Hammadi, Extra Assistant Conservator of Forests and Sub-Divisional Forest Officer, N. D., Kanara, passed with credit an examination in Kanarese according to the Higher Standard on 8th February.

Mr. E. C. H. Caleraft-Kennedy, I.C.S., Judge and Sessions Judge, Nasik, is granted privilege leave for three months from the 27th May, with permission to prefix the summer vacation to it.

Mr. S. J. Murphy I.C.S., on return from leave, to do duty as Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge Nasik, pending further orders and to try such cases as the Sessions Judge, Nasik, may make over to him for trial.

Mr. H. M. Haslehust, Probationary Third Grade Assistant Superintendent of Police, passed on the 8th February, an examination in Kanarese according to the Higher Standard.

Mr. N. J. Wadia, I.C.S., passed with credit and Mr. J. Hamilton, Divisional Forest Officer, Working Plans, C. C., passed an examination in Marathi according to the Higher Standard on 8th February.

The following officisiating promotion and, reversions of officers in the Imperial Customs Service are notified with effect from the 31st January :—Mr. G. A. Thomas, I.C.S., to be Collector, Class II, officiating; Mr. W. D. R. Prentice, I.C.S., to be Collector Class III, officiating; Mr. A. H. P. Wolferstan, to be Assistant Collector, Class II. sub. pro tem; Mr. J. A. Stevens, on leave, to be Assistant Collector, Class III, substantive; Mr. A. E. Boyd to be Assistant Collector, Class III, sub. pro tem; and Mr. W. W. Nind to be Assistant Collector, Class V, substantive.

Mr. A. E. W. Steward, I. C. S. passed the Higher Standard Departmental Examination on 17th December.

Mr. H. Montgomery, I. C. S., passed with credit the Lower Standard Departmental Examination on 16th December.

Mr. J. Hamilton to be Divisional Forest Officer, Poona, vice Mr. E. G. Oliver proceeding on leave.

Mr. A. F. Gonsalves to do duty as Working Plans Officer, Central Circle, vice Mr. J. Hamilton, pending further orders.

Mr. G. H. L. Napier to be Divisional Forest Officer, East Kandesh.

Southern Mahratta Railway Rifles.—Captain (Honorary Major) Francis David Topham, V.D., to be Major vice W. Coen, V.D., promoted, dated 1st October.

Poona Volunteer Rifles.—Philip John Fitz-Gibbon to be Second-Lieutenant vice N. B. Macmillan, promoted, dated 14th January.

Lieutenant J. A. Brooks, 5th (Inniskilling) Dragoons, has been appointed Extra Aide-de-Camp to His Excellency the Governor with effect from the 10th February

Captain L. P. Stephen, M.B., I.M.S., as Civil Surgeon of the Second Class vice Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. Burke, M.B., I.M.S., retired.

Bombay Volunteer Artillery.—George Dodson Traylen to be Quartermaster with the honorary rank of Lieutenant vice W. H. Leach placed on the Executive Roll, dated 19th January.

Mr. G. Witts, Consulting Architect to Government, has been permitted to return to India by His Majesty's Secretary of State for India.

THE PUNJAB ARYA SAMAJ.

Professions of Loyalty.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, FEBRUARY 17.

Lala Durga Parshad, President of the Lahore Arya Samaj, has contributed a letter to the "Harbinger," an organ of the Arya Samaj, stating the reasons that lead him to write a letter to Sir Louis Dane which brought forth a most satisfactory reply from His Honour. Lala Durga Parshad writes: "Lately some gentlemen, nay even leaders of the Arya Samaj, had begun to give out and had lectured in meetings that Government regarded the Arya Samaj as seditious and so its members would be sent to jail. They advised members to acquire habits fit for jail. They further asserted that the Vedic religion would be put a stop to, the Arya Samajes closed and the Gurkula dissolved." To get out of the anxiety created in me by these vociferations, with a trembling hand I penned out a frank and straightforward petition to the head of the administration which in due time brought forth an appropriate answer. It is now the duty of the Arya Samaj to declare itself to be a loyal body by taking a solemn declaration of loyalty to Government from every member. Every Samaj should assure His Honour that no person shall be its member who does not sign a declaration of loyalty to Government. Besides, once a month, a lecture should be given, with a proper notice, on our duty to Government as loyal subjects. Seditious men, papers and pamphlets should be refuted. The letter has been reproduced by the "Civil and Military Gazette" in its columns and very favourably commented upon expressing satisfaction of the desire of that body to range itself on the side of Government.

RAILWAY MATTERS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, FEBRUARY 17.

During the quarter ended 31st December, 1909, the following additional locomotives and rolling stock were placed on several Indian Railways namely 75 engines, 122 carriages, and 1,252 goods vehicles on the 5 feet 5 inches gauge lines; 5 engines, 60 carriages, and 212 goods vehicles on the metre gauge lines and 12 engines, 16 carriages and 55 goods vehicles on the narrow 2 feet 6 inch gauge lines. The temporary flag stations at Vadia, Delhi on the Bhavnagar-Gondal-Junagad-Porbandar railway was due to be opened for traffic on Tuesday.

The Bengal North-west Railway Company are being asked for their opinion on the East Indian Railway scheme for bridging Ganges at Mekameh.

BEAUTY AND HYGIENE.

FOR Health, Beauty and Luxury, use the "ALBION MILK and SULPHUR SOAP," which Lady Constance Howard writes,—"Is pleasant to use and whitens and softens the Skin." Also Testimonials from Countess Bathurst, Lady White, Viscountess Exmouth, Lady Dorothy Nevill and many others. Delicately perfumed. Warning:—When buying the "Albion Milk and Sulphur Soap" see that the Name and Figure head of "Albion" are on the wrapper. Sold by Chemists, Grocers, etc.

SPORTING NEWS.

BOMBAY HUNT.

HOUNDS met yesterday at Santa Cruz in cool but dry weather; there was a large attendance and a full morning's sport was enjoyed.

Moving off in the direction of the Barracks a jackal was found in the bushes at the edge of the Melon ground and getting away well after him the pack dashed away towards the Cross Roads. The pace was very fast over this difficult going, but emerging on to the Sahar cart-track along which the jackal had evidently travelled the speed increased considerably and it meant hard galloping for anyone who wished to be with hounds. Down past the field where the second horses wait and over the bit of execrable ground beyond to the paddy fields which stretch to the Andheri road the hunt continued with the field tailing out behind. Had hounds swept over the road at the same pace there would have been many left behind in this merry chase but luckily for them there was a disappointing check close to where the pipe crosses the road. It was sometime before the pack were able to regain the line on the other side of this thoroughfare and their quarry had by that time been able to gain a long lead. It was on the Marole village hill that it became at first apparent how poorly scent was lying, but certain members of the field helped to make it as difficult as possible for hounds to make out the line by cheering away in front as if merely out for a ride. Eventually the line was picked up again by the pipe and working out every inch of the way along this track the pack made out the direction round the far side of Jack Symon's hill and over the Backwater, where they were again at fault. Slowly they hunted up to the Aley factory hill which they completely circled, but they had caught up to the tarrying Customer who was viewed off the hill towards Vehar. Again the backwater was crossed and then came perhaps the pick of the morning's sport with some excellent galloping over the grasslands at the top of the Marole Valley. A rocky descent through a narrow path in the jungle terminated this good going and swinging round left-handed hounds succeeded in at last running into the Jackal in a kind of small quarry. Only a very few of the field had noticed the quick turn to the left so thick was the piece of jungle in the short descent mentioned and it was some little time before the majority came upon this fortunate band.

The run had lasted over the hour and hounds had worked most cleverly all morning over a great distance as the kill took place close to Vehar Lake.

The next meet takes place at Vakola Barracks—members travelling out by train should have their horses at the Railway crossing on the Cantonment Road so that on alighting at Santa Cruz station they can make their way to the meet as quickly as possible.

A ROMANCE OF THE BOMBAY HUNT.

WHEN I went to bed that night I turned my face, Hezekiah-like, to the wall and wished that I might die or at least "wake up dead in the morning." Things had been going badly for a long time past and that afternoon had come to a climax. My "fancy" had failed me in five consecutive races and a desperate effort to "get it back" on what was given me as a "straight tip" on the last race had only made matters worse. May be I had "looked upon the wine when it was red" at dinner, but in any case my luck was right out at poker after my "two pairs, ace high" meeting the triple deuce and my three kings "seeing" three aces every time I tried to have a dash. Lastly She had not been gracious for some days but had shewn a decided preference for X—(" that ass X—" as we always called him) and I was as much out of the running as had been my 'tip' for that confounded last race. The combination of misehances had been too much for me and I felt a pang of sympathy for Hezekiah and wondered if he had been half as badly 'down' as I was.

I had scarcely fallen asleep when I was awakened by a light in my tent and the voice of my 'boy' announcing 'chota hazri'—5-30 a.m., icy cold, pitch dark outside, the Meet a couple of miles away. Was it worth the candle? I suppose I dozed, for when I came to consciousness again my sea was black and the toast cold. Ugh! Was it worth is? My 'boy' having been forced to get up at that unholy hour was determined that master should not be abed and nagged and wheedled in a manner worthy of the importunate widow till I got out in order to find something to throw at him. Once out of bed I realised that it was useless to get back again, so made for my shaving things and by the dim light of a badly-trimmed lamp proceeded to scrape my face with a blunt razor in a futile effort to make myself presentable. The water was icy as I had a splash to get the sleep out of my eyes, my stock refused to 'sit' properly till the fourth attempt, my 'boy' had in a moment of inspiration put my spurs on the wrong boots and had left my gloves behind.—Was it worth the candle? However, I sallied forth tripping over a tent rope en route and found Tommy waiting close by. He had got the sleep out of his eyes sure enough—they were bright and keen and full of anticipation of a gallop. He looked fit as a fiddle so far as one could see in the half light, and the toss of his head and the whinny with which he greeted me said plainly that he at any rate thought it was well worth the candle. And as I got into the saddle and walked him over the flats and felt him reaching at his bit and just fretting a little and asking to be allowed to hurry on, I knew that it was worth the candle, and all the while there was only the first flush of dawn appearing in the East.

Drowsiness and fatigue fell from me and I forgot that I had only had a few hours abed, that the wine had been red, that 'tips' were not infallible that I had been feeling full up, fed up and far from home, that work starts on Monday and bills come in on the first of the month and remembered only that it was good to be alive, to be out to hunt and to have a few minutes to spare at the Meet to watch the dawn flushing in the East.

The sound of the horn as hounds move off breaks in on my reverie, the cry of a hound, and the echoing voices of the pack tell me that all is well. I slipped away well in the van and giving Tommy his head found the much anathematised Melon-ground scarely formidable as he picked his way clearly across at half speed. There is some pretty on-and-off jumping over a line of bunds and couple of walls that loom quite large in the early morning mist, but Tommy makes light of them and his sureness of foot on the sheet rock would do credit to a veteran. I found myself lying well ahead of "that ass X—", whose bad hands were quickly shown up in a small country —"keep back there, can't you; and give hounds a chance!" Why, it is X—(" that ass X—!") getting a bit of 'back chat' from the Master! Of course his pony frets if he saws at his mouth like that, and I smiled to see her riding close behind and watching the little play and—was it is my imagination? or did I see her cast an approving glance at Tommy and me? I know I am getting well down this morning and Tommy is such a gentleman that one has just to leave him alone and he will go for all he is worth—and he is worth a good deal more than I could afford to pay for him! What luck that my new coat was ready for to-day—it is cut really well too and I must give the tailor a bit on account on Monday. (Another good resolution to help pave the road to Hell!) A short check and we are off again after a word to her and the reward of a smile. Was it the glow of the chase in her eyes? or was it—? On again over paddy and melon, cactus and bund, here a nullah and there a wall, through mango, aloe and thorn till we find ourselves in the Horse-shoe Valley, and Tommy and I are there to see when hounds run into the jack on the slope of the Powai Hills. Good old Tommy! I loosen his girths, for he is sweating and blowing a bit, for the run has been fast—25 minutes over a fair hunting country after a stiff-necked jack—and light a cigarette and look around while the obsequies are being performed 'decently and in order.' Yes, there she is, flushed and radiant at being in at the Death—and not a sign of 'that ass X—!' A word of congratulation as she is offered the brush and our eyes meet—meet only to turn away and see the sun rising over Powai Lake flooding its depths with rainbow lines and its shallows with the sheen of diamonds. It is a scene for the gods, a piece taken out of Fairyland and laid at one's feet, a scene that holds one spell-bound, and I see the wonder of it reflected in her face. "In the hills like gods together careless of mankind" drinking in the loveliness of the morning—and then our eyes met and I feel almost sorry for "that ass X—." The sun seems to have risen on a new world as we jog gently home and the horses too seem to feel the bond of sympathy as they keep pace for pace as if they had gone in double harness all their lives—and the blushes but not a whit displeased as I remark on it. It is an hour's walk home, but the time passes all too quickly and my thoughts fly back to the night before and I almost think 'small beer' of Hezekiah and wonder if he knew that the panacea for all the ills to which flesh is heir is—hunting! What matter treacherous tips and fallen favourites! What matter bills and all life's little worries when you have a horse to ride and your lady to ride home with. Yes, it was worth the candle and it is good to be alive.

Over the Pipe, past Sahar Hill, across the Flats and home. Has all this taken place in an hour or two? Changed is the old order giving place to new, and yet there are the same old tents, the flag still waves at the tree top and—yes, there is X—(poor devil!) just ahead of you on a jaded pony with a cut on his head and his topi battered in. The pony took him under a tree and he was swept off and the pony caught it hot coming home. I felt almost sorry for X—till I saw the pony's lashered flanks and bleeding mouth and my sympathy was transferred to the pony as I realised that, like poets, hands are born, not made!

POONA HOCKEY TOURNAMENT.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, FEBRUARY 17.

In the Hockey tournament matches for Native troops were played this evening. The 109th Mahrattas beat the 103rd Regiment by three goals to two and the 110th Mahrattas beat the 3rd Sappers and Miners. The final for the Cup will be played on the 26th.

A BENGAL GYMKHANA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, FEBRUARY 17.

A Bengal Gymkhana, for the development and control of out-door games in Bengal has been formed in Calcutta with the Viceroy as patron, Sir Edward Baker, Sir O'Moore Creagh and Sir Lancelot Hare, as vice patrons. The Maharajah of Cooch Behar, who is taking keen interest in the scheme, is the president. All Indians interested in sports are eligible for membership and Europeans for honorary membership. Prince Jitendra Narayan of Cooch Behar is the Honorary Secretary.

BOMBAY RACQUETS TOURNAMENT.

OPEN SINGLES FINAL.

Capt. J. G. Greig beat Capt. H. C. Richmond 14—18, 15—13, 3—15, 15—11, 15—6.

MARKERS.

Hormusji beat Maneckji. 15—10, 17—18, 15—5 5—15, 15—9.

BOMBAY RACES.

Fifth Day.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19.

HANDICAPS.

THE BYCULLA CLUB CUP—Distance 1 mile and 5 furlongs—Fizz 9st 12lbs, Master Delaval 9st 9lbs, Pelargonium II 8st 2lbs, Vancouver 8st 6lbs, Bull Dog 8st 3lbs, The Rooster 8st, Asshanti Gold 7st 8lbs, Crossbred 7st 6lbs, Sacricomar 7st 2lbs, Devereux 7st, Coat of Arms 7st, Sporran 6st 9lbs. If top weight accepting, be under 9st 11lbs, it will be raised to that weight and the others in proportion.

THE MANSFIELD PLATE—Distance 6 furlongs—Souls Line 10st 4lbs, Lumination 9st 7lbs, Master Theo 9st Chobham 8st 8lbs, Stirabout 7st 13lbs, Bull Dog 7st 10lbs, Lord Merv 7st 9lbs, Lord Curiyan 7st 8lbs, The Rooster 7st 5lbs, Picturesque 7st 3lbs, Killua 6st 11lbs, Metal Maid 6st 8lbs and Pincher 6st 5lbs. Top weight not accepting, weights to be raised 5lbs.

THE COLABA PLATE—Distance 1 1-4 miles—Vancouver 9st 7lbs, Chobham 9st 4lbs, Oakton 9st 2lbs, Lady Violet 8st 13lbs, Ashanti Gold 8st 6lbs, Galileo 8st 6lbs, Forfeit 7st 13lbs, Sacricomar 7st 10lbs and Flaneur 7st 3lbs. Top weight not accepting weights to be raised 3lbs.

THE TURF CLUB CUP—Distance 1 mile and 5 furlongs—Precious 9st 12lbs, Peculiar 9st 5lbs, Sialkote 9st Balmoral 8st 9lbs, Hazza 8st 3lbs, Famous 8st 2lbs, Parliament 8st 1lb, Mehraj 8s. 1lb, Company 8st Eed 7st 13lbs, Urgent 7st 11lbs, Alma 7st 10lbs, Mahan 7st 10lbs, Hadee 7st 7lbs, Merrily 7st 5lbs, Hoodaib 7st and Maghil, 6st 12lbs.

THE DESERT PLATE—Distance about 1 mile—Bendigo 9st 12lbs, Mahan 9st 3lb Devon 8st 12lbs, Safoog 8st 8lbs, Tunis 8st 2lbs, Rubio 8st Sun 7st 10lbs, Deser. King 7st 6lbs, The Pilgrim 7st 1lb and Farick 6st 10lbs. Top weight not accepting, weights to be raised 6lbs.

THE INNOVATION PLATE—Distance about 7 furlongs— Refresher 1ost 6lbs, Cheeky 9st 4lbs, Lady Nannie 9st 1lb, Mandevalle 8st 11lbs, Evening Herald 8st 2lbs, Pantry Girl 8st Koko 7st 8lbs and Encourage 6st 12lbs. Top weight not accepting, weights to be raised 5lbs.

THE BEDOUIN PLATE—Distance 5 furlongs—Rajput 9st 13lbs, Lookman 9st 9lbs, Tachreet 9st 6lbs, Creditor 9st 2lbs, Salanie 8st 9lbs, Vedas 8st 4lbs, Mountain King 7st 13lbs, Shanwar 7st 11lbs, Minerva 7st 11lbs, Mudkoor 7st 8lbs, Zarl 7st 7lbs, Plassy 9st 5lbs, Sabah 7st 2lbs, Nishan 7st 2lbs, Hachal 7st 1lb, Maimoon 7st Sheriff 6st 12lbs, Corrector 6st 12lbs, Hisha, 6st 10lbs, Real Blood 6st 8lbs and Princess 6st 5lbs. If top weight accepting be under 9st 12lbs, it will be raised to that weight, and the others in proportion.

Horses left in after declaration of final forfeit at 6 p.m. on Thursday, 17th February.

THE BYCULLA CLUB CUP.—Distance 1 mile 5 furlongs.—Fizz, Master Delaval, Palargonium II, Vancouver, Bull Dog, Crossbred, Deverenx, Coat of arms, and Sporran.

THE MANSFIELD PLATE.—Distance 6 furlongs —Souls Line, Lumination, Master Theo, Chobham, Bull Dog, Picturesque, and Killua.

THE COLABA PLATE.—Distance 1 1-4 miles.—Vancouver, Chobham, Oakton, Lady Violet, Galileo, Forfeit, and Flaneur.

THE TURF CLUB CUP.—Distance 1 mile, 5 furlongs.—Precious, Peculiar, Sialkote, Balmoral, Hazza, Famous, Parliament, Mehraj, Company, Eed, Urgent, Hades, Merrily, Hoodaib and Maghil.

THE DESERT PLATE.—Distance about 1 mile.—Bendigo, Devon, Safoog, Tunis, Rubio, Sun, Desert King, The Pilgrim, and Farick.

THE INNOVATION PLATE.—Distance about 7 furlongs.—Refresher, Cheeky, Lady Nannie, Mandeville, Koko and Encourage.

THE BEDOUIN PLATE.—Distance 5 furlongs.—Rajput, Tachreet, Creditor, Salanie, Vedas, Shanwar, Minerva, Mudkoor, Lari, Plassy, Sabah, Nishan, Sheriff, Corrector, Hishan, and Real Blood.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LT.-COL. R. W. L. DUNLOP, V. D.

Bombay, 18th February.

142.—Musketry.—The Range at Colaba will be available for Class Firing (1st Period only) daily Firing to commence at 7 a.m.

143.—Musketry—The Range at Ghat Kopar will be available for Class Firing on Monday next, the 21st Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday the 23rd instant. Train leaves Victoria Terminus at 6-5 a.m.

A. L. CARTWRIGHT, Capt.,
Adjt., B. V. R.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR J. W. HAWES, COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, 18th February.

Parades for the week. Nos. 1 and 2 Companies.

Saturday the 19th inst—The full Gatacre Teams and Specialists of each Company to mann the Guns at Mahaluxmi Fort and carry out Battery Drill. Members to parade at Grant Road Station at 4-50 p.m.

Cyclists to proceed direct to Fort.

Dress—Khaki and Helmets.

Sunday the 20th inst—Practice 6th B. L. C. from Mahaluxmi. Each Company to completely mann the two 6th B. L. C. Guns to carry out Instructional practice.

All members to parade sharp at 10-30 a.m. in the Fort.

Dress—Khaki and Helmets.

E. E. Coy. Friday the 18th instant—Parade at Apollo Bunder at 6-30 p.m. and proceed to Middle Ground for Defence Light Manning.

The following member having resigned is struck off the strength of the corps:—

Gr E E Symes No 1 Company.

The following members of No. 2 Company are struck off the strength of the Corps under Rule 14.

Br J Roberts, Grs C Chandler, J Corbett, J Martin R T Ryton and H Stickland.

E. P. CUDLIP, Lt., R. A.,
Adjt., B. V. A.

HIGH COURT.

DISPUTE REGARDING TEMPLE PROPERTY.

Before Mr. Justice Macleod.

GOPALACHARYA SUDARSHANACHARYA VS. REMAMICHARYA RATHMUNIACHARYA.

For the Plaintiff:—Mr. J. D. Davar and Mr. B. J. Desai, instructed by Messrs. Ardeshir, Hormusji, Dinshaw and Co.

For the Defendant:—Mr. E. B. Raikes and Mr. Dhurundhar, instructed by Messrs. Nanu Hormusji and Co.

His Lordship, yesterday, heard this suit in which the plaintiff prayed for a declaration that he was duly adopted and as such was entitled to all the properties mentioned in the plaint.

The plaint stated that Swami Sudarshanacharya died on the 5th February, 1897, leaving considerable property and jewellery worth Rs. 30,000 and household effects valued at Rs. 5,000. The deceased was the Manant of Shri Belaji's temple in Kandewadi. After the death of the deceased his widow Laxma succeeded him. Previous to his death the deceased gave instructions to his wife to adopt the plaintiff as his heir. On the 15th November, 1897, plaintiff was duly adopted, at the age of ten years. In March 1898 Laxma left Bombay for Chikabalapura in Mysore, taking the plaintiff with her and leaving the defendant in charge of the temple properties. In March 1905, the plaintiff attained majority and asked the defendant to render accounts to him, but the defendant refused to do so. He submitted that he was duly adopted and as such he was entitled to all the properties.

The defendant, in his written statement, denied that Sudarshanacharya in his life-time had any heritable property. Defendant officiated as Mahant of the properties which were in trust and he relied on the documents creating the trust. Sudarshanacharya, the deceased, acted as the Mahant of the properties like defendant. On the 19th November 1897 the Lohana community of Bombay, in a public meeting assembled, installed the defendant as the Mahant of the temple. He further denied that the plaintiff attained majority on the date mentioned in the plaint.

The suit is proceeding.

POLICE NEWS.

PRESIDENCY MAGISTRATES' COURTS.

Before Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Chief Presidency Magistrate.

A FIREMAN CHARGED.

Inspector Miller charged Edward Hasset, a fireman and trimmer on board the s.s. "Hayden" with being absent without leave from the ship on Wednesday. The case for the prosecution was that on the day in question the accused was brought to the Master of the ship by the Chief Engineer, who complained that the accused had been interfering with the working part of the ship's machinery. The Master of the ship told the accused he would report the matter to the proper authorities and ordered him not to leave the ship in the meantime. Notwithstanding this order the accused left the ship in the morning and remained away till he was arrested in the afternoon. The accused pleaded guilty, stating he was under the impression that he had finished with work on that ship. He admitted having left the ship without permission. He was convicted and sentenced to undergo five days imprisonment.

Before Mr. J. W. S. Dracup, Third Presidency Magistrate.

A MUNICIPAL PROSECUTION.

Dr. Godinho, Deputy Health Officer, Bombay Municipality, charged Beghji Umersey, with failing, to comply with an order of the Municipal Commissioner, requiring him to fill in or hermetically cover a cistern or accumulation of water at his premises in Garibdas Street. The order was issued on the ground that mosquito larvæ had been found in the cistern which constituted a nuisance and danger to health.

A servant of the respondent appeared in Court and stated that his master was unable to attend owing to illness. His master thought that it would not be possible to clean the cistern if it were to be hermetically sealed.

Dr. Godinho said that means could be devised to clean the cistern.

The Magistrate inquired under what Section of the Municipal Act the charge had been brought.

Dr. Godinho said the Section was 381.

His Worship said he doubted whether an iron cistern came within the terms of the Section, which applied to water works, tanks and wells.

Dr. Godinho submitted that a cistern was a tank.

His Worship thought an iron cistern like the one, which formed the subject of the present inquiry, did not come within the purview of the Section, and advised Dr. Godinho to withdraw the prosecution.

Dr. Godinho said he himself could not do so as the notice had been drawn up by Municipal solicitors.

His Worship said if Dr. Godinho wished to fight out the point he would give him time to do so.

Farther hearing was postponed for a month.

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JAPANESE NEWS.

The Manchurian Railways.

THE proposal by the American Government that the Manchurian Railways should be neutralized is occupying, as might have been expected, the attention of the Japanese Press to the exclusion, almost, of every other topic.

"The Japan Chronicle" publishes a telegram, dated January 11, from San Francisco which says: Opposition to Mr. Knox's proposal regarding the Manchurian railways growing. "The San Francisco Chronicle," in a leading article this morning, contends that it would be a mistake for the United States to deviate from the Monroe doctrine, and take an active part in the settlement of the Manchurian question. The journal also asks what could be done if the Japanese and Russian Governments demanded the "open door" in Cuba and compares American interference in Manchuria to Japan and Russia interfering in Cuban affairs.

A message from New York, also dispatched on the 11th instant says: The leading merchants of New York and other centres now regard Mr Knox's proposal as impracticable, thus taking the same line as "The new York Evening Post."

If a London telegram, under date January 12, which is published by the "Osaka Jiji" can be regarded as authentic, France is not enthusiastic over the proposal. This message reads: The attitude of the French Government towards the Manchurian proposal is shown in the following semi-official "communique." French has no political interest whatever in the Manchurian question, and will merely observe neutrality towards Russia. She will never act in any way likely to offend the feelings of Japan and Great Britain. If an international syndicate should be formed, France will take part therein on an absolutely equal basis with the others. The France Press regards the proposal as Utopian.

An interview with Mr. O'Brien, the United States Ambassador to Tokio, appeared with several inaccuracies in the vernacular press and Mr. O'Brien in consequence supplied "The Japan" Advertiser with a correct account of what took place. Asked for a statement in regard to the proposal the Ambassador replied in substance that a suggestion had been made by the United States Government that all railways in Manchuria be turned over to China and also that a line from Chinchow to Aigun by way of Teitsihar be constructed that no doubt funds could be provided by nationals of the different Powers with which to meet the necessary outlay, not only for those lines already constructed but also for the one last mentioned and others which it might seem for the interest of China to build in the future. He added that of course the parties most nearly concerned were Japan, Russia and China, and it seemed to his Government that they would naturally be eager to solve all contention and difficulty in the manner pointed out, and to aid the Chinese Government in the peaceful development of its own domain. The Ambassador pointed out that some years ago the United States presented to the Powers a plan by which each should undertake to forgo any temptation to obtain special privileges in China and that its territories should remain free for the commercial advantage of all. The Power acceded to this suggestion and the one now advanced is simply a logical step in the same direction. The United States Government believes that a plan having for its purpose the principles above stated would result in lasting benefits to all concerned.

VERNACULAR PRESS COMMENTS.

The "Kokumin Shimbun" remarks apparently on high authority, that Japan will deal with the neutralization proposal in a friendly manner, as it comes from a friendly country, whether it is consented to or not. It is, however, erroneous to say that Manchuria is a storm centre. The conditions in Manchuria have already been settled, owing to China's agreements with Japan and Russia, and Japan's agreement with Russia. These three countries are now on friendly terms with each other. The agreement that the neutralization scheme will guarantee peace does not apply to Manchuria, in view of the fact that it infringes China's territorial right already established and deprives others of privileges properly acquired there. It would lead to further complications. Russia's loss of the Chinese Eastern Railway would threaten her Siberian territory. It would be improper to neutralized part of China's territory in view of fact that China can recover the railways in Manchuria upon the expiry of the concession. The American-Japanese agreement of 1908 is based on the maintenance of China's independence and territorial integrity, and the pre

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

("Bombay Government Gazette," February 17.)

Mr Nahaualal Himatram to act as Fifth Grade Deputy Assistant Political Agent, Palanpur, vice Mr. Ladhabhai Harji retiring, pending relief or further orders.

Mr Shirdhar Balkrishna Upasani to be First Class Subordinate Judge, Dhulia; Mr Nandkrushnalal R Majmundar to be First Class Subordinate Judge, Surat.

The undermentioned Subordinate Judges to have the jurisdiction of a Judge of a Court of Small Causes for the trial of suits cognizable by such Courts up to the amount of Rs. 500. Mr Shridhar Balkrishna Upasani, First Class Subordinate Judge's Court, Dhulia. Mr. Nandkrishnalal R Majmundar, First Class Subordinate Judge's Court, Surat.

Mr Kashibhai Vastabhay Patel, Mamlatdar of Nadiad in the district of Kaira, is appointed, to be a Magistrate of the First Class in that district.

Mr C D Pandya, B A, L L B., Clerk in the office of the Oriental Translator to Government passed on the 8th February an examination in Marathi according to the Higher Standard, with credit.

Mr Bhagubhai Motiram Butti, B A, LL B, passed on the 7th February an examination in the Marathi according to the Higher Standard.

Mr Nandsankar Dayashankar Baksbi, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Mahi Khantha, is granted privilege leave for three months with effect from the 21st February.

The following candidates passed on the 16th December an examination in the Judicial papers of the Lower Standard Departmental Examination translated into the vernaculars :—Shaikh Mohiuddin valad Shaikh Usman, Circle Inspector, Kumtha, Kanara. Mr Sitaram Balkrishna Dani, Karkun, Mamlatdar's office, Nandgaon, Nasik. Mr. Narayan Govind Jadhav, Circle Inspector, Malsiras, Sholapur.

In consequence of the retirements of Messrs. Lakshman Gopal Deshmukh and Sorabji Padamji Pestanji, His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to add two appointments of Third Grade Deputy Collectors to the cadre of Deputy Collectors in the Presidency proper and to make the following appointments :—Mr Lakshman Moreshvar Deshpande and Mr W Plunkets to be Third Grade Deputy Collectors. Mr Sorab Manekshah Bharucha to be substantive pro tem Toird Grade Deputy Collector vice Mr. Lakshman Moreshvar Deshpande promoted. Mr Jamshedji Bejanji Vachha and Mr Abdullah Mian Osman Mian Koreishi to be Fourth Grade Deputy Collectors. Mr Krishnaji Gururav Kalgnatgi and Mr Digambar Dalaya to be Fifth Grade Deputy Collectors. Mr. Venkatesh Damodar Pratambekar to be substantive pro tem Fifth Grade Deputy Collector vice Mr. Krishnaji Gururav Kalgnatgi promoted. Mr Manilal Ajitrai Thaker and Mr Krishnaji Vasudev Joshi to be Sixth Grade Deputy Collectors. Mr Gandhabhai Indraji Desai to be substantive pro tem Sixth Grade Deputy Collector and to do duty as Additional District Deputy Collector, Thana, pending further orders. Mr Balkrishna Vaman Dhume to be substantive pro tem Sixth Grade Deputy Collector.

Dr. N. Gustasp, Ph.D., on return from leave, to be Divisional Forest Officer, West Khandesh.

Mr. Ramchandra Shriniwas Kodiyal is appointed to act as Clerk of the Court, District Court, Bijapur during the absence on privilege leave of Mr. Swatirao Timmaji Tilgulkar or until further orders.

Mr. Keshavlal Vithaldas Desai, Second Class Subordinate Judge of Nadiad, to have the jurisdiction of a Judge of a Court of Small Causes for the trial of suits cognizable by such Courts up to the amount of Rs. 500.

Mr. Chhotalal Dwarkadas, Local Fund Accountant, is appointed to act as Head Accountant, Kaira, during Mr. Jeshangbhai Manchharam's absence on five weeks privilege leave.

The following transfers of Mamlatdars are ordered :—Mr. Govind Raghunath Dabholkar to be Resident Magistrate, Bandra, vice Mr Gandabhai I Desai, until further orders. Mr Kashibhai Vastabhai Patel, Mamlatdar of Nadiad, to be Resident Magistrate, Borsad, vice Mr. Govind Raghunath Dabholkar.

The appointment of Mr. Narayan Anandrao Deshmukh as a Conciliator in the Erandol Taluka of the East Khandesh District, is cancelled at his own request with effect from the 15th February.

Mr Mahad Patil Shiwaji Patil, residing at Khambala, is appointed, with effect from the 20th February to be an additional Conciliator under the Dekkan Agriculturists' Relief Act, 1879, within the limits of the Bhiwndi Taluka in the Thana District.

Messrs. Daondo Janardan Samant, residing at Parulen, and Balkrishna Ramchandra Rege residing at Kochren, are appointed, with effect from the 24th February to be additional Conciliators under the Dekkhan Agriculturists Relief Act, 1879, within the limits of jurisdiction of the Subordinate Judge of Vengurla in the Ratnagiri District.

Mr. Behramji Padamji, Registrar of the Court of Small Causes, Poona, is granted privilege leave on full pay for one month and twenty-seven days in combination with furlough for five months and fifteen days with effect from the 21st February.

Mr. M. A. Mirza, Assistant Engineer appointed to the Indus Right Bank Division is posted to the Shikarpur Canals District.

Fourth Grade Police Inspector Dwarkaprasad Manbodh, of the Broach District, is granted three months privilege leave with effect from such date as he may avail himself of it, and Second Grade Sub-Inspector Gulam Hussein Jafferbhai is appointed to act as Fourth Grade Inspector during his absence.

Third Grade Prosecuting Police Inspector Domingo Rozario Mascarenhas of the Dharwar District, is granted privilege for one month with effect from the 1st February.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours, ending at 6 a. m. yesterday, give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague, Attacks.	Deaths.	Total deaths from all causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort North, Fort Southern and Esplanade	1	0	2
B Mandvi, Chukla, Gomerkhadi and Dungri	6	3	16
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Ghulealwar, Khara Tank, and Kumbharwada	2	3	12
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahalaxmi	0	0	5
E Mazagon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Kamathipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	4	1	24
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	3	2	7
G Mahim and Worli	1	1	10
Water Division	0	0	0
Harbour	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	2	13
Total	17	12	89
Thisday last year	16	11	110

THE RAT CAMPAIGN.
February 16th 1910.

Ward.	Alive.	Dead	Found Infected.
A	77	54	2
B	274	265	56
C	126	110	11
D	100	42	4
E	243	102	6
F	59	12	1
G	92	15	0
Total to date	971	603	82
Total rats killed			1,574

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BY THE WAY.

RESIGNATION OF PROFESSOR CASE.

Professor Case, who resigns the Waynflete Chair of Moral and Metaphysical Philosophy, is known to most Oxonians, who are not philosophers, from his immemorial connexion with 'Varsity cricket; and to the general public by his occasional pungent letters to the "Times." An acute metaphysician, he does not agree with the French cynic that language was invented to conceal thought. His brilliant treatise on "Physical Realism" discusses a difficult topic in limpid English, and is free from the hideous jargon—"made in Germany"—affected by some disciples of T. H. Green. Professor Case occasionally descends to earth from the ether of pure speculation. His beautifully illustrated book about the pinnacled steeple of the University Church is an important contribution to the history of ecclesiastical architecture.

WANTED—A "TORY CURATE."

Among much comic relief furnished by the General Election is the fact that Father Adderly, the well-known Socialist vicar of Saltley, feels compelled to add to his advertisement for a curate the qualification "Tory preferred." In justification he explains: For five years I have been the object of abuse by the Tories of Saltley because I have consistently supported Labour representation. Personally, I find no difficulty in accepting the spiritual ministrations of my political opponents. Many of my congregation are not built that way, and I thought it good to provide them with a Tory as I have three Independent Labour Party curates." Father Adderley adds: "My curates are insulted if they dare to ask the employers for help for our poor mission districts; and as all the world knows, my own brother (Lord Norton) has withdrawn his subscriptions."

AUSTRALIA AND THE LIBRARY CENSORSHIP.

Articles on the "new censorship" of the circulating libraries are appearing in the Australian papers. In proportion to population there are considerably more circulating libraries in Melbourne and Sydney than in London, and they generally follow in the footsteps of Mudie and Smith. An article in the Melbourne Argus emphasises the difficulty of deciding what is immoral. It points out that "Adam Bede," "Jane Eyre," and "Richard Feverel" were denounced by some people as immoral on their first appearance. As for the decision of the libraries not to circulate any books likely to offend any considerable section of their subscribers, the Argus writer characterises the proposal as "egregious." In politics, he says, the majority is generally wrong, but in literature it is "invariably wrong."

WINTER SPORTS IN THE ALPS.

Sir Martin Conway, in the "Pall Mall Magazine" refers to the rapid development of winter sports in the Alps, which has been a very marked feature in recent years. Not long ago Swiss hotels closed their doors in September or October; the proprietors went away; the building were locked up; and only a caretaker or two entered till the following Mayor June. Now an increasing number of Alpine centres are almost as full at Christmas as at midsummer. Every year new centres as opened, and the crowd of holiday-makers in search of sunshine and good exercise in the splendid air of the high regions grows in volume with mark rapidity. Indeed, the Alps in winter, though they do not yet equal, seem, according to Sir Martin Conway destined to surpass the Alps in summer in attractiveness to the sporting world.

DANGERS OF THE SPORTS.

But the winter sports of ski-ing and tobogganing have dangers all their own. The great peril in winter is frost-bite. Again, in winter, a very simple snow-slope, gradual below and imperceptibly steepening higher up, may be a most effective death-trap. Tobogganing also every year claims a long list of victims. This is especially the case on the iced and twisted artificial runs. But at bob-sleighing many persons also come to grief, though their misfortune is generally limited to the smashing of a limb. The home of the bob-sleigh is the high-road, and on suddenly turning a corner, a vehicle may be encountered, and a collision can only be avoided by instant action; or the road may be found unexpectedly blocked in a number of different ways. Rapid motion is, of course, always accompanied by latent danger, which will become actual whenever that motion is suddenly arrested.

"THE GRAIN OF SPICE."

These and the like dangers, however, Sir Martin Conway regards as the grain of spice which quickens the undertaking into a sport. And he points out that every healthy person, after a day's ski-ing or tobogganing on the snow slopes, with the blood coursing merrily through the veins, the bright, clean air bathing the lungs, the sunshine giving tone to the whole system, and the beauty of nature delighting the eye and refreshing the understanding, comes home in the fading daylight to the bright wood fires, cheery companionship, and friendly society of the Swiss winter hotel, feeling better equipped for the work of life.

MEDICAL FEES A CENTURY AGO.

Like everybody else, the doctor suffered from a meagre purse in the old Protectionist days. A correspondent of the *Dundee Advertiser* in the west of Stirlingshire has just discovered one or two items which shed some light on medical fees a century ago. The doctor was a certain William Ralston, who carried on the practice of his profession at Balfron. He was called in to attend a child. The following is the sequel :

For medicine for child	1s. 6d.
Four visits to do., at 9d	3s. 0d.
	4s. 6d.
By cash in part	2s. 6d.
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A "consultation" would probably have cost 3s., and a visit from a "specialist" half a guinea. The profession would look askance at these figures to-day.

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THE LADIES' CORNER.

AN IMPORTANT CHANGE.

The fiat has gone forth that the backs of our gowns are, for some time to come, to receive special attention at the hands of the dressmaker. All the elaborate panels, writes a London correspondent, the complicated embroideries, the peculiar draperies which, for months past, have made the fronts of our gowns things of beauty or of horror, have now to veer round. The aim of every women who knows what's what in the dress line, will be to excite the envy of her friends by the elegant perfection of the back view of her gown. To meet this new demand sashes, buckles, buttons, and all the other accessories of decoration must be shifted. Even our neck-wear must follow Fashion's trend, and already we are seeing jaunty little neck-bands, in laces and ribbons, finished at the back with bows and small cascades of fine lace, a style, let me add, becoming for the short and stout woman to whom the jabot cravat and frill, except in their most attenuated form, ought to rank as forbidden fruit.

THE NEW TUNIC.

One of the latest developments of this new attention devoted to the back of our gowns is a tunic something after the style of the long cut-away coat. A charming model of this description had the skirt in black silk voile, while the bodice sleeves and the back fall, which spread out over the square-shaped train were in pearl embroidered black net. The guimpe was in "mousseline de soie" embroidered in gold. The whole made an exceeding smart frock; while the style was one becoming to all. The short tunic has to be chosen with care, it cuts the figure so much; but the long sweeping line of this glorified coat suits every woman, especially, if it be joined under the bust. The underbodice can be made as ornate as the heart desires, and any defect or peculiarity of figure be hidden by the adjustment of the soft folds of chiffon or lace.

THE EVER-LASTING GUIMPE.

Afternoon gowns are still worn without a neckband and often slightly "decollete." The guimpe, either so large as to almost monopolise the bodice, as in our sketch, or else very, small—barely outlining the throat—continues as popular as ever. Instead, however, of plain or spotted nets, metallic or other designs of a scrolly character have come in. For wear with a frock of rose du Barri velvet there was a guimpe of cream net all covered over with metallic tracings. It was just as if a spider had spun webs from sunbeams and spread them all over. The gown made of two materials continues to be very much seen in Paris; but not, it must be stated with the best dressers. Nothing else gives such an opening for bad taste and a gown such as I saw the other day, in purple velvet and ninon, should prove a danger signal—half the bodice and half the skirt was in one material, and half in the other. A pretty idea in the two-material-line for a tailor-made is to have coat lining, blouse, and petticoat *en suite*. A royal blue cloth costume, for instance, was supplemented in this way with a blue and white checked silk. Another new idea for the tailor-made is the substitution of chain or other embroidery stitching for braid. An apricot cheviot costume had an elaborate design of conventional flowers and foliage worked in chain stitch with wool just a shade darker. The coat, in this instance, was sketch-like in fitting, and in three-quarter length; the short skirt had a band of the same stitching. The whole costume showed an admirable compromise between the extreme simplicity which is the chic of the moment, and our feminine love for ornament.

THE WEATHER.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SIMLA, FEBRUARY 17.

Light local rain has fallen on the Tenasserim Coast but over the rest of the country the weather has been dry and the skies generally are free from cloud.

Forecast—A few falls of rain in the Upper Brahmaputra valley and the extreme South of India are likely.

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER AND CROP REPORTS, 17TH FEBRUARY.

Amritsar.—Bright, no sign of rain. Rabi crop prospects generally good.

Hansi.—Bright, no sign of rain. All crops doing well. Rabi crop prospects generally good.

Mooltan.—Bright, no sign of rain. Rabi crop prospects generally good.

Delhi.—Bright, no sign of rain. All crops doing well.

Agra.—Continues cloudy. All crops doing well.

Benwar.—Bright, no sign of rain. All crops doing well.

Amaoti.—Seasonable. Linseed prospects improving.

Dhulia.—Bright, no sign of rain. Rabi crop prospects generally good.

Jalgaon.—All crops doing well.

Broach.—Bright, no sign of rain. Cotton arrivals increasing largely.

Viramgam.—Seasonable. Cotton plants shedding bolls.

Barsi.—Bright, no sign of rain.

Sholapur.—Bright, no sign of rain. Mornings cold and dewy.

Hubli.—Mornings cold and dewy. Cotton picking commenced.

BOMBAY DAILY WEATHER REPORT FOR THE 17TH FEBRUARY.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Thursday, the 17th February giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded. Humidity and temperature are nearly normal.

The United Provinces.—Skies are clear The air is drier. Temperature is normal except for a defect at night at Cawnpore and Mainpuri.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal or in defect. Temperature is normal.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear. The moisture in the air continues in defect in Gujarat and West Central India; it has decreased and is now equal to the average in Kathiawar. Day temperature is normal; night temperature has fallen and is in defect nearly everywhere.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear. Humidity is in defect. Maximum temperature is normal; the minimum is lower than usual in the extreme western districts.

The Konkan.—Skies are clear. The air is drier at Bombay. Temperature is normal except for a defect at night at Karwar.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are clear. Humidity is in defect, Temperature is nearly normal.

General Remarks—There has been an increase of cloud in the extreme south-east of the Peninsula. Weather, however, has been fine and dry everywhere and is likely to remain so.

H. A. ARMSTRONG,
Officiating Meteorologist, Bombay.

GREEN ROOM GOSSIP.

Mr. Fred Terry has commissioned Mr. William Devereux to write him another play for production at a later date, and he has left him a free hand in regard to it. "No," said Mr. Terry to me, writes a London correspondent, "I know nothing about it, and I am leaving him to himself. All I hope is that it will be a play which will serve me as well as his 'Henry of Navarre.' What I always like is to have a piece with six good parts in it, among which the interest is fairly divided." Mr. Terry touches a point which cannot be over-emphasised. However fine an artist may be, the public likes a story rather than a "star," and how few of necessity are the plays where one man or woman can steer the piece to victory single-handed.

ROMANTIC COSTUME DRAMA.

There can be no doubt whatever about the "boom in romantic costume drama." Mr Devereux's two plays "Henry of Navarre" and "Sir Walter Raleigh" are among the greatest successes of the year. "The O'Flynn," at His Majesty's, is almost due. Bulwer Lytton—on of the early fathers of the romantic movement—is coming back to his own. Mr. Waller has "Paul Clifford" behind the arras. February opens with Lytton's "Richelieu" at the Strand, while Mr. Michael Morton, with his ear to the ground, is ready with "Philip Beaufort," a dramatic version of Lytton's "Night and Morning." We hear of another menagement which will be "in being" in the West End ere long, and here again romantic costume drama is to be the ware which it will offer. Nor is the reason far to seek. "We have many talkers, but few dramatists," said Mr. Cosmo Hamilton, the other day. The talkers for the nonce have had their day, and discussed their rather tiresome "problems" at endless length. But the office of the drama is not the resuscitation of tired epigrams, but the movement of men of action and the conflict of their wills. Now this, in the last resort, is the very negation of modernity. Immobility is our only wear for the crowd to-day. In 1910 we cut our enemies with a state. But Henry of Navarre cut his with a sword, and the Spanish grandee has his dagger ready for the proud daughter of Henry. Children as we are in the theatre, we need the only medium which raises "action" to the nth power, and so the romantic costume-play—which is only our old friend melodrama in his Sunday suite—is a Thucydidean "possession" for ever. Henry of Navarre, and Walter of England, and Richelieu of France, and Paul Clifford of the nursery are shoulder to shoulder in the fighting line. "Count Hannibal"—of Anstruther—joins them later. There is no change "in their glorious panache, and there are no "split votes" in their loyal constituencies.

THE MORBID MODERN PLAY.

Of course, in taking this attitude, one is in danger of the accusation of being out of sympathy with the movement which would make the stage the mirror of life as we know to it to-day, of being wishful to confine the theatre to drama of the sword and feather. That, however, is not true. It is because the stage, in dealing with reality and modernity, seems to choose almost entirely the dark and vicious side of life for dissection and analysis that one turns with regretful relief to "costume drama." It is taken for granted that life to-day is concerned only with illicit passion and morbid psychology, whereas the really great things of world now, as always, are bound up with the men of action, with deeds, not metaphysics or illegitimate passion. English dramatists, if they give us modern plays, depend almost entirely on introspection not founded on the verities, or swallow-tail melodrama of no greater artistic value than the melodrama of sword and feather.

THE "ARCADIANS" IN AMERICA.

It is pleasant to note that Mr. Robert Courtneidge has received from Mr. Charles Frohman a cabled message announcing that the New York production of "The Arcadians" at the Liberty. Theatre on Monday week was an immediate success. In Mr. Frohman's words, the piece was received by the public and the newspapers with enthusiasm equal to that of Dondon. During a preliminary three weeks' run at the Forrest Theatre, Philadelphia, "The Arcadians" played to record business, as it well deserves to have done if it is being played in its English spirit, without "interpolations."

MR. LOCKE'S NEW PLAY.

When Mr. Frohman produces "The Climax," the American play by Mr. W. F. Locke, which has proved so popular across the Atlantic, we shall see, a particularly interesting work. "The Climax" was to have been produced at the Vaudeville, but the success of "The Brass Bottle" has rendered it necessary to choose another home for it.

DR. JEKYLL AND MR. HYDE.

"Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," the dramatisation of R. L. Stevenson's famous story in which Mr. H. B. Irving will appear at the Queen's Theatre should be one of the grimmest things London will have seen for many a long day, and Mr. Irving ought to give a very fine performance in it—or, rather, two very five performances. I shall never forget, writes our correspondent, the first night of the version in which the late Mr. Richard Mansfield appeared at the Lyceum on August, 4, 1888, I was in the pit which was not more than half full. August is never a very good month for the theatres, and it was a hot night. The play opened tamely enough; and Mr. Mansfield's Jekyll was quite ordinary in every way. But when the stage darkened the moonlight shone brightly in at a pair of French windows at the back, and suddenly a crouching figure, breathing with a loud, hissing sound, and with its hands opening and shutting in a weird way behind its ears, appeared, looking in through the window at the dark room, there ran over the audience an audible shudder just such a shiver as used to follow the entry of Henry Irving in the last act of "Louis XI." From that moment Mr. Mansfield had won. It was not his Jekyll that did it. That was, indeed, as uninspired and undistinguished a piece of acting as I have ever seen. It was his Hyde, which was really horrible. And the fact that the Whitechapel murders were being committed by 'Jack the Ripper' at the time seemed to add to the gruesome effect of the performance.

MR. ROBERT HILTON'S MANAGEMENT.

Mr. Robert Hilton has decided to open his season at the Strand Theatre with an old instead of a new play Richelieu. The verdict of the provinces he has already had. It has been entirely favourable. In Berlin with "Salome" he has also had a great success. But the opinion of London, if we except the Coronet, where his performance was much admired, is still to come. Mr. Hilton has taken the Strand Theatre for three months at least, with an option of renewing his tenancy for a further period. After "Richelieu" will come "David Garrick," and then "Cleopatra," a play, by Mr. Rider Haggard, in which," said Mr. Hilton, "I am tremendously interested. Many have been trying for years to secure the rights, but have not succeeded. "It is one of the finest plays, in my opinion, that has been written for some years. It follows very closely the book, and it is going to be quite a big spectacle, though not over elaborate, because I do not believe in that. I believe in scenery that is adequate, and in getting as near nature as possible. The theatrical 'borders,' for example, which often remind one of a clothes'-line, I shall get rid of entirely, and have the sky right up.' As in the case of "Richelieu," special music has been composed for "Cleopatra," the composer being Dr. J. D. Davis, and the orchestra will be enlarged to fifty performers. Miss Mabilia Daniel, who gained her experience with Mr. and Mrs. Kendal and Mr. Martin Harvey, and made a great success with Mr. Hilton in Berlin as Salome, has been specially selected by Mr. Rider Haggard for the part of Cleopatra, Mr. Hilton will play the priest Harmachis, and Mr. Philip Desborough, who has been playing the lead with Miss Marie Tempest in "Penelope" in New York, is coming back for the part of Antony.

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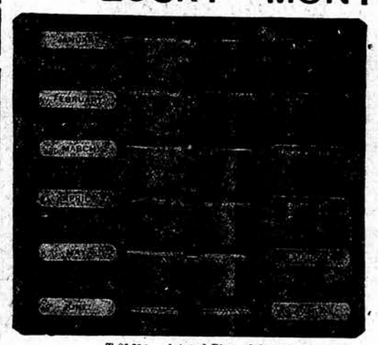

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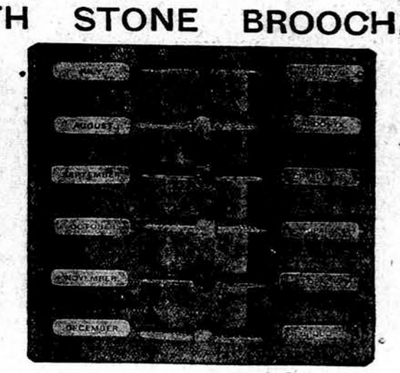

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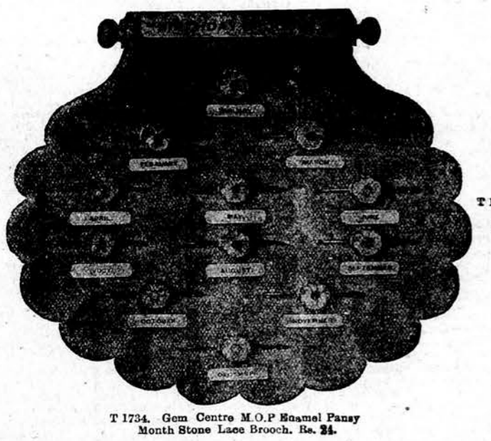

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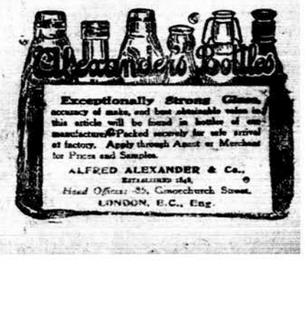

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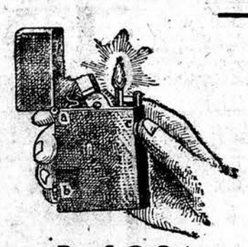

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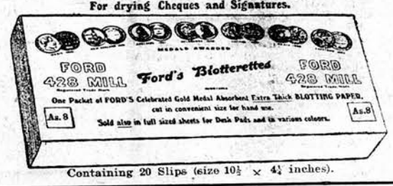

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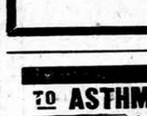

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